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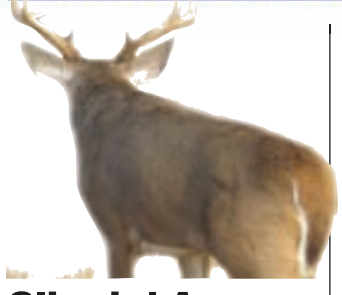

Slippin' Away: Deer season ends Sunday

The rifle deer season, which brings a major economic boost to the area, ends Sunday. The next chance for deer hunters, other than archers, will be the seven-day muzzleloader season Dec. 8-16.

Cherry reception

Crittenden County will host a public retirement reception for Rep. Mike Cherry at 3 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 4 at the courthouse. The 14-year House member will serve out his final term next month. Cherry did not seek re-election. Marion resident Lynn Bechler won the seat during this month's election.

McConnell will return to power

U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell was unanimously re-elected by his colleagues to serve as Republican Leader for the 113th Congress. Sen. McConnell is only the second Kentuckian to lead his party in the U.S. Senate. The other senator from Kentucky to serve as his party's leader was Alben Barkley, who later became vice president. This is the fourth time that Sen. McConnell has been elected to serve as Senate Republican Leader.

Turkey Knob Rd. closed 3 weeks

Turkey Knob Road in the Amish community off Fords Ferry Road is now closed to through traffic at the Crooked Creek Bridge between Valley View Road and Yoder Road. The road will be closed about three weeks while a new bridge is constructed.

Meetings & More

✔ Crittenden-Livingston Water District meets in regular session at 7 p.m., Monday at the Salem office.

✔ Crittenden Health Systems Board of Directors meet in regular session at 6 p.m., Tuesday at the hospital's administrative annex.

ON THE WEB
Press Online Poll

This week's Web poll at The Press Online asked readers to answer the following question: "***Do you think the chamber of commerce should continue organizing a fall pumpkin festival similar to the one it has hosted the last few years?***"

Here is what 262 respondents said:

Absolutely 126 (48%)
I don't care 74 (28%)
No 52 (19%)
Need more info 10 (3%)

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A rare meeting of two public agencies was held last week when county officials learned about an across-the-board pay raise for ambulance service workers at about the same time they were getting ready to hand over the first proceeds from a new tax aimed at helping the ambulance service fend off red ink.

County officials unhappy with not knowing about EMS raises

BY CHRIS EVANS
PRESS EDITOR

Elected officials say they want improved communication with Crittenden Health Systems executives regarding the ambulance service.

County leaders say they don't want to micro-manage Emergency Medical Services (EMS), but claimed their right to greater insight to major management decisions, now that taxpayers are footing part of the bill for the ambulance service.

Judge-Executive Perry Newcom, magistrates, hospital administrators and volunteers from Crittenden Health Systems' board of directors convened Friday at the courthouse for a joint meeting of the two panels.

County officials told hospital executives they were dissatisfied with not being made aware of a decision in September by hospital management to give EMS workers a $2-an-hour, across-the-board pay raise. County officials say they initially spoke to hospital board members, who were not aware of the raise either.

Hospital CEO Jim Christensen and CFO Tom Hales characterized the salary increase for EMS employees as a management decision relative to improving patient care. Christensen said it was his fault for not telling the fiscal court about the raises, he apologized and said it would not happen again.

The pay raise amounted to about $45,000 annually, according to discussions at the joint meeting.

Crittenden County Fiscal Court established last summer an occupational tax, the proceeds of which are to be paid to the ambulance service. The need for taxpayer funding had been requested by the hospital in order to meet growing annual losses at the ambulance service. After a great deal of public debate, months of discussion and a public hearing, the county imposed a half-of-one-percent payroll and net profits tax starting July 1. The first financial benefits of the tax started coming in during October. Through October, about $37,000 had been collected from the new tax. The

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Projected First Quarter
Payroll Tax Receipts

Crittenden County's payroll tax receipts are lower than projected. The county rate is only 0.25% lower than the City of Marion payroll tax rate, but the county's receipts are not even one-third of what the city has collected.

Tax	Rate	Collected
City	0.75%	$115,000
County	0.50%	$37,000

Nursing home says it's okay

The federal organization that was going to lift the Medicare and Medicaid certification for Crittenden Health and Rehabilitation Center has rescinded its termination order, which would have gone into effect this week.

Nursing home officials told The Press last week that an on-site inspection at the facility on Watson Street has abated any immediate jeopardy. However, long-term remediation will be necessary. An article about the issue appeared on the front page of last week's newspaper.

A spokesperson for the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services confirmed Monday that the Atlanta-based Regional Department of Health and Human Services has indeed repealed the termination order. No other details were available.

Distribution day Dec. 14

Marion Baptist site for Christmas food

Jones

BY JASON TRAVIS
PRESS REPORTER

Food distribution for families registered for Community Christmas will be held from 8 a.m., to noon on Friday, Dec. 14 at Marion Baptist Church Family Life Center.

The church's pastor, Rev. Mike Jones, said organizers encourage support from the community and welcome all types of food donations as well as monetary contributions. Donations of empty boxes would also be appreciated. They will be used during the distribution of food items. Jones hopes all donations can be received by Dec. 7, a week before distribution day. Organizers will use the week before distribution to purchase food with monetary donations and organize food items in boxes.

In addition to canned vegetable items, organizers would also appreciate any kind of canned meat items, spaghetti noodles and sauce and macaroni and cheese.

Donations can be taken to the Family Life Center between 9 a.m., and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. The church is located at 131 E. Depot Street in Marion. Monetary donations can be delivered to the church or mailed to Marion Baptist Church at P.O. Box 384, Marion, KY 42064-0384. For more information about distribution or making a donation, call

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Christmas tree can provide family fun

Land Between the Lakes is again providing the opportunity for people to harvest a fresh cedar Christmas tree free of charge starting Dec. 1.

Tree-cutters must have a permit, which is valid through Dec. 24. The permit entitles a family to cut one cedar tree at no charge. Permits, maps and cutting guidelines may be obtained until noon Christmas Eve from the LBL administrative office or Golden Pond Visitor Center.

"Taking the family out into the woods to look for the perfect Christmas tree is a great holiday tradition. Check along roadsides or within old forest openings to find your tree," suggested LBL Forester Dennis Wilson. "The cedar tree program also helps LBL by maintaining open lands and promoting diverse wildlife habitat."

Cedar trees may be cut anywhere in LBL except areas within sight of major highways, in cemeteries, nature watch areas, campgrounds, lawns or other mowed areas.

Whether families cut or purchase a tree, they should follow proper safety guidelines when using a cut tree in their home at Christmas.

Choose a fresh tree. If the needles are brown and fall off easily, the tree is dry and can easily catch on fire.

When setting up your tree, cut the base off two inches above the original cut to help the tree absorb more water. Place the tree in a stable stand.

City asking for water conservation

STAFF REPORT

City officials are asking residents to voluntarily conserve water over the coming weeks because of low levels at Lake George, the reservoir from which the city gets is raw water.

"For the past several months, the City of Marion's Water Department has been taking steps to aggressively combat the effects of a lingering drought, our second drought in three years," said City Administrator Mark Bryant.

In early August, the city began purchasing water from the Crittenden-Livingston Water District to ease demand on Lake George, the city's primary water supply. The water from the lake is pumped to the nearby water treatment plant where it's purified for drinking then distributed throughout the city.

The county water district is now supplying Marion with almost one-third of the city's daily usage. The Marion Water Department also began drawing water from what's known as Old City Lake earlier this month. The water treatment plant normally does not draw from Old City Lake until water temperatures cool, making the purification process less expensive.

"We anticipate being able to draw from Old City Lake throughout the winter months, hopefully allowing Lake George to retain any precipitation that is received during this period," Bryant said.

"Unfortunately, most precipitation models for this part of western Kentucky do not forecast rainfall in the amount needed to bust the drought in the near future," the city administrator added. "There is some possibility that Marion's water supply shortage could become critical during this time, despite steps already taken by the water department."

Most of Marion's water users are residential customers. There are very few high-volume users.

"Therefore, we must turn to the residents of our city for additional help in fighting this problem," Bryant said. "We urge our customers to take the measures to conserve the city's water supply."

Listed below are ways the city is suggesting to conserve water:

•Use commercial car washes instead of hand washing your vehicle at home.

•Greatly reduce or eliminate all outdoor watering of lawns, trees, shrubs, etc. (even once the winter is over, if the drought persists).

•Use brooms instead of water hoses to clean decks, patio furniture, sidewalks and driveways.

•Take showers instead of baths, and reduce your time in the shower to five minutes or less. Install low-flow shower heads if you've not already done so.

•Check your toilet for leaks and have said leaks repaired. The city gives out free dye strips for detecting toilet leaks. Install water-efficient toilets if possible.

•Avoid unnecessary flushing – never use your toilet as a wastebasket or ashtray.

•Never leave the water running while brushing your teeth or shaving.

•Adjust water levels to the laundry load size. Typically, full loads use less total water. Front loading washing machines use only one-third of the water required for top loading machines.

•Repair all leaky faucets, showerheads, outdoor spigots and any other potential leak source.

Additional water conservation tips can be obtained from Marion City Hall.

The Kentucky Division of Water estimates that a 10 percent reduction in water use can mean as much as 20 additional days of water supply, Bryant said.

"Conservation is going to be key going forward. Should the situation fail to show improvement, the city may be forced to implement mandatory water restrictions and water bill surcharges to help finance drought-management efforts," Bryant added.

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We truly are our brother's keeper

The first human to resent this truth was Cain, who had just murdered his brother and lied to God when God confronted him with the crime.

Cain's anger was from having failed God, and because God called him on it. See Gen. 4:5-9.

So much anger in the world today is caused by guilt in failing the God who owns us and gives us everything we have. We are ashamed because we don't want to measure up to His requirements for a happy life here and here after.

The sorrow to Cain and Abel's parents with their first-born a murderer and their second son the victim was brought about by having disobeyed God themselves.

Too many times the children parrot what they see their parents and others do.

First, parents are held responsible to train the children for God, as the children belong to Him. We are only permitted to have them for a little while to love them and train them for God.

All of us are responsible as to how we influence not only our own children but the children of others. The church people, pastors, school teachers, neighbors and every one else will all one day stand before God and give an account as to how we have lived and influenced others.

The Bible tells us to "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." Prov. 22:6.

Jesus tells us to "Love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength and your neighbor as yourself."

Parents, are you training God's children to love Him so much they will follow Him and not the devil? Are you following Him as they watch your life? As you train them to leave the diaper and bottle, train them to love and believe God.

Training a child is more than just telling them, teaching them, living it before them, taking them to church and sending them to a Christian school.

Training them is what you did with the diaper and bottle. You did everything it took to see to it they were so trained that they stopped using the diaper and sucking the bottle. And they were set for life when it was done.

Have you trained your children to so love God that they will never sin against Him because they love Him so much for all He has done for them?

Have you trained them in God's Word so they will know how to obey Him?

In the Old Testament, God provided the Israelites with a model for passing down His Word to their children. In Deuteronomy 6:7, He tells them (and, I believe, us) to "Teach them to your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up."

One day God will call all parents before Him and judge them on how they raised His children.

The eternal truth is that the children God gives us to raise are not ours. They are His. God says, "All souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die." Ezek. 18:

"Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord and the fruit of the womb is His reward." Ps. 127:3

Can you imagine what happens to mothers and doctors who decide which of God's children shall live and which shall die?

What will God have to say to those who play God, deciding which is the most valuable to live in the case of the mother or the child, in case of incest, rape, gender or just not wanted?

Thank God above I will never have to face an angry God for any of those sins.

Yes, truly we are our brother's keeper!

Rev. Tedrick is a Marion minister. She shares her views weekly in this newspaper. Her opinions are her own, and are not necessarily those of the newspaper.

Crittenden Grand Jury delivers seven indictments, two sealed

STAFF REPORT

The Crittenden County Grand Jury delivered seven indictments last week, two of them sealed. The five unsealed indictments were as follows:

•Billy Don Waynick, 35, of Marion was indicted on charges of theft by unlawful taking (over $500); third-degree burglary; and theft by unlawful taking (under $500). The higher theft charge and burglary are felonies. The case was investigated by Deputy Ray Agent of the Crittenden County Sheriff's Department. According to court records, Waynick is alleged to have taken tools on July 28 from a shed in the Mexico community, where Waynick also lives. The indictment says Waynick also took coins and copper wire from the residence.

•Ricky Jo Curnel, 23, of Marion was indicted on a single charge of fourth-degree assault. Generally, fourth-degree assault is a misdemeanor, but in this case court documents indicate it was the third or subsequent offense by the defendant and that the victim, his purported girlfriend, suffered minor injury in the July 12 incident.

•Zack Anthony Woodall, 38, of Fredonia was indicted on a single charge of tampering with physical evidence. Court records allege that Woodall swallowed pills that might have been used as evidence against him. The police report says that Woodall was arrested on May 6 by Deputy Don Perry and taken to Crittenden Detention Center for booking. Inside the jail, police think Woodall put something into his mouth. He told officers it was a Benadryl tablet and Lortab, according to the police report.

•Wanda P. Kinnis, 58, of Dycusburg was indicted on a charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance by complicity. Court records say Kinnis possessed methamphetamine on Oct. 6. She was arrested on a warrant for the alleged offense on Nov. 9, according to a police report. No other information was available in the case file. Trooper Darron Holliman was the arresting officer.

•Henry R. Matthews Jr., 60, of Marion was indicted on charges of first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance by complicity; second-degree possession of a controlled substance by complicity; and possession of marijuana by complicity. Court records allege that on Oct. 6, Matthews was engaged in the transfer or sale of methamphetamine while either acting alone on in complicity with another person. Court records say he also possessed hydrocodone and marijuana. As in the above case, Matthews was not arrested until Nov. 9. Trooper Holliman the investigating officer.

A grand jury does not determine guilt or innocence. It decides whether enough evidence exists to continue a case in the court system. An indictment means a case moves to Circuit Court.

The court can seal an indictment for a variety of reasons, one being if the suspect has not been arrested at the time of the indictment.

Jury finds local man guilty of stealing flat-screen TV

STAFF REPORT

A 12-person jury found Chris Hill, 36, of Marion guilty of second-degree burglary after a trial Friday in Crittenden Circuit Court.

Hill was also found guilty of being a persistent felony offender. The jury recommended a 20-year prison sentence on that charge and 10 years for burglary. He will be formally sentenced by Circuit Judge Rene Williams next month.

The seven-man, five-woman jury deliberated less than 30 minutes after hearing about two hours of testimony. Hill testified in his own defense, claiming that he'd only gone to a home at 411 North College Street on July 25, 2011 to pick up a friend. That friend was co-defendant Chase Bingham, who had already pleaded guilty to the crime and is now serving time. Bingham was called to testify for the prosecution.

According to testimony, Hill and Bingham went to the Marion residence where Bingham had previously lived. They took a 46-inch flat-screen television from the residence and put it into the back seat of Hill's car.

Bingham's former roommate, the victim, Cody Welch, also testified. He told the court he was walking home from McDonald's on the date his television went missing. Down the street, he saw Hill and Bingham pulling out of his driveway. He saw both men in Hill's red Cougar, which Welch said made an evasive right turn onto another street when they saw him coming down the sidewalk. Minutes later, Welch said he received a phone call from Bingham's phone. Welch told the jury that Bingham and Hill were on the other end. He said they already knew he'd been burglarized. Welch testified that he'd told no one at that point that his television was missing.

Hill testified that he had nothing to do with stealing the TV. His father, Bob Hill, testified that a television that size was incapable of fitting into the car's back seat.

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county had earlier pledged to pay the hospital $150,000 annually in monthly installments of $12,500. That comes to $37,500 quarterly, which is slightly more than was raised in the first quarter. The appropriation to the hospital is ear-marked to offset operating costs associated with the ambulance service. Newcom said some late payments might show up, but as of now, the tax is not generating as much as anticipated, or pledged. The county has, however, made its first full monthly installment.

The crux of last week's meeting; however, was not the amount of money collected or promised, it was whether the county has a right to more information regarding management of the ambulance service.

Wade Berry, chairman of the hospital board, said he understands that by accepting tax dollars, the hospital has "entered the political arena to some extent."

Berry asked whether the hospital's management should inform elected officials privately or through public meetings when matters like this arise. Berry raised some concerns about employee privacy and other proprietary information.

Newcom said the public has a right to know what's going on because public funds are being spent. The county judge said his biggest complaint was that neither he nor magistrates were advised ahead of time about the plan to increase pay for EMS workers.

Newcom said he first learned of the pay hike when local citizens and ambulance service personnel in other counties began calling him, seeking more information about it. He said residents were concerned about the timing of the raise on the heels of a new tax to meet EMS shortfalls. Calls from other county EMS administrators were out of concern that they too might have to raise pay in order to keep qualified EMTs and paramedics, Newcom said.

"When people are asking me questions that I am unable to answer, it's not a comfortable position to be in," Newcom said.

Magistrate Jeff Ellis said he too favors greater disclosure of information when public funds are being used. He implored the hospital board and executives to see the concern county leaders have with regard to such matters. The raise given to EMS workers amounted to about one-third of the entire amount of tax money pledged by the county to help EMS, Ellis said.

Some hospital representatives questioned the weight given to what they characterized as a handful of critics, who have questioned the pay raise. Roger Simpson, a hospital board member, urged magistrates to not overreact to what was represented as four anonymous phone calls. Those were the initial inquiries that brought the matter to light, Newcom explained.

Magistrate Curt Buntin said the public really doesn't know about the pay increase, but would learn about for the first time when they read it in the newspaper.

"That's when we'll really see what the public thinks," Buntin said.

None of the elected officials questioned the need for increasing EMS employee pay, but some have said publicly, and privately, the timing was poor, having come on the heels of the first tax payment deadline.

Newcom provided data in written form to magistrates showing where other nearby EMS crews earn less. However, Kenneth Davenport, one of two paramedics as the meeting, said he has always earned less in Crittenden County than at other places he's worked such as Lyon and Trigg counties.

At Tuesday's regular meeting of the Crittenden County Fiscal Court, there was some light conversation about the makeup of the current hospital board. It was noted that about half of the board's members have either already resigned, will be resigning or their terms will expire in the coming days. According to a report by hospital officials, four board seats will need to be filled next month. The hospital board, made up of volunteers from the community, now has seven members, but has had eight in the past year before one member resigned.

Christensen, the hospital CEO, told magistrates at Tuesday's meeting that the board will be providing names of people it would like to see fill those board seats. The fiscal court will make the appointments at its December meeting.

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WHO WE ARE

Casey LaRue

Casey LaRue practically grew up at the Crittenden County Public Library, reading about different mysteries and adventures. She was what some call a book worm. Now, she's cultivating more book lovers as a member of the library staff.

"I've been visiting here since I was four or five. I like the atmosphere and I like books," LaRue said.

LaRue began working at the library as a teenager. Almost a decade later, she enjoys encouraging others to find the magic in reading.

One of her favorite books is the Harper Lee classic "To Kill a Mockingbird."

LaRue enjoys reading mystery and suspense from contemporary authors such as James Patterson and Robert Parker.

"I tend to stick more to mysteries. I don't really care much for horror," she said. "The latest book I read that I really liked was 'Gone Girl' by Gillian Flynn."

She also enjoys new faces. Meeting patrons of the library is a fascinating part of the job.

"You meet a lot of interesting people especially with genealogy," she said. "You get to hear a lot of interesting stories from everybody who does their own research."

Libraries have stayed current in the Information Age. Gone is the old card catalogue system. It was replaced with computer technology.

"It's very different. I know when I first came here we didn't have as many computers for public access. We've seen the interest in using public computers go up," she said.

She said individuals have also taken advantage of the library's basic computer classes. Attendance has been very good for those instructional courses offered free at the library.

A native of Crittenden County, LaRue and her husband, Jared, reside in Marion.

Who We Are is a regular feature in The Crittenden Press where individuals who live and work in the community are spotlighted. If you know of someone who'd make a good subject, drop us an email at thepress@the-press.com.

Area News and Information

Traffic delays will continue on U.S. 60 bridge at Ledbetter after Thanksgiving

A contractor for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has removed the lane restriction from the U.S. 60 Tennessee River Bridge at Ledbetter in order to allow two-way traffic through the Thanksgiving holiday.

Work is expected to resume on Saturday and round-the-clock lane restrictions with alternating traffic flow controlled by an automated signal will return. The bridge will be restricted to one lane for about a week as concrete repairs are completed on the deck. Several sections of decking are being repaired and replaced.

Motorists are having a five- to seven-minute delay during the repair period. Highway Department Spokesman Keith Todd says flaggers are being used during peak travel periods to help minimize traffic issues.

Delong Concrete is the prime contractor on the $293,934 deck repair project.

The bridge is currently posted with a strictly enforced three-ton load limit which essentially limits traffic on the bridge to passenger vehicles and unloaded standard pick-up trucks only. An enhanced police presence continues to be maintained to enforce the load limit and a 35 mph speed limit on the bridge.

A new bridge under construction just upstream from the 81-year-old existing structure is expected to be ready for 2-lane traffic as early as May, under an accelerated construction schedule.

Also known as the George Rogers Clark Memorial Bridge, it connects McCracken County to Livingston County between Paducah and Ledbetter. The bridge was opened to traffic in 1931 and normally carries approximately 7,800 vehicles across the Tennessee River in an average day.

Be alert to holiday scams, deception

The holiday season is upon us, and for many this means we increase our travel, shopping and charitable donations. Unfortunately, this also opens a door for scammers to take advantage of our additional online activity. Whether you are making flight reservations or purchasing the top gifts of the season, your email and personal accounts can become vulnerable. Before clicking on a deal that seems too good to be true, stop and think. Below is a list of holiday email scams to be alert for this season, according to Pete Haas, vice president at Allied Barton Security Services:

'Tis the season for giving

Emails that come in during the holidays may ask you to support a cause with a monetary donation. We are all a little more generous during this time of year. Before clicking on any links or making your donation, do your research. If this is a legitimate charity, visit their website directly for detailed information. A credible charity will give you information describing its mission, how donations are distributed and proof that your contribution is tax deductible.

Home for the holidays

If you haven't purchased a flight home for the holidays, cautiously look at any email stating that an airline ticket has been purchased in your name. Call the airline immediately, and do not open the email. Hackers may attempt to place malicious software in a link of a fake airline ticket.

Thank you for the card

E-cards are a popular and inexpensive way to deliver the season's greetings to family and friends. E-cards are also an easy way for hackers to install viruses and malware on your computer. Be careful when clicking on a link in an e-card as the hackers will often use logos from recognizable brands in order to appear legitimate. If you are concerned, delete the email immediately.

Oh wow! A package!

Emails that look like they are coming from familiar delivery services stating that a package can't be delivered tend to increase during the holiday season. The email typically asks the receiver to insure their order so it can be delivered properly. If the receiver enters a credit card, the scammer could be off shopping with your money. If you have made an online purchase and receive an email like this, contact the company you made the purchase from to inquire about delivery or track your purchase through the delivery website.

This year's hot item

Beware of emails from websites claiming to have the "hot" gift of the season. If the deal seems too good to be true, it probably is. These fake websites will tempt you through an appealing email, directing you to their website, where upon ordering they gain access to your credit card and billing information. You probably won't get your gift, but instead, a very large bill. When shopping online, buy only from a reputable, known site.

Credit card for purchases

Of course, we can all use extra money during the holidays and many credit card companies see the holidays as the perfect time of year to get new customers. Be cautious of emails from unfamiliar credit card providers. These cards can have high membership fees and interest rates, may only be used at specific stores or online, and can limit the products you are able to purchase. Don't accept these offers, but instead inquire for a card from a notable credit card company.

Area holiday events

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Holiday spending

We all tend to shop until we drop during the holidays. So, we may not find it odd if we receive an email from the bank to verify account information. Instead, scammers are sending these emails asking customers to confirm their banking details and passwords. Unfortunately, the bank website is not the actual website. If the email seems suspicious, call your bank directly before sending any information.

If you think you have fallen victim to a scam, change the passwords or PINs on all your online accounts and place a fraud alert on your credit reports. Contact the bank, online merchant or charity directly to alert them of your concerns. As a best practice, routinely review your bank and credit card statements for any charges that you didn't initiate. Additionally, be sure your computer's antivirus software is up-to-date. This extra defense may help keep spam emails out of your inbox.

The VFW Post 12022 Ladies Auxiliary in Marion has announced that local seventh-grade Mauri Collins won the group's Patriot's Pen Essay Contest for middle school students. The post received twice as many entries this year compared to last year. The essay's theme was "What Would I Tell America's Founding Fathers." The VFW will present certificates and have a celebration at Post 12022 on Dec. 4 for all students and their parents. Organizers said it is an honor and privilege to have the encouragement from the participants and teachers in helping promote the contest and its purpose of Americanism and patriotism. Those participating in the contest were (front from left) Meighan Koon, Daryan Duran, Megan Tabor, Nikki Adams, Collins, Alyssa Snow, Haley Stinnett, Chaylee Wolf, Alexis Tabor, and Maddye Mink, (back) Madison O'Dell, Emma Atchison, Emmalea Barnes, Will Dobyns, James W. Grimes, Tyler Cummins, Kaylee Graham, Brittany Minton, Baylee Priest and Ashlyn Webster. Essay participants missing from photo were Destiny Nolan, Texas Young, Cali Parish, Meredith Evans and Nicholas Underdown.

Church notes

■ Marion Baptist Church will have a free community Thanksgiving Day dinner from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., today (Thursday) at its Family Life Center. For more information, call 965-5232.

■ Repton Baptist Church in Mattoon hosts Bible Skills, Drills and Thrills at 6 p.m., Sundays in its fellowship hall. The program uses a fun format to teach children in grades first through sixth Bible skills.

■ The Caldwell and Lyon County Grief Support Group meets at 2 p.m., Mondays in the Caldwell/Lyon Baptist Association building in Princeton. It offers an educated and trained Christian grief counselor who can guide a person through the initial stages of grief and beyond after the loss of a loved one. The group is open to everyone and there is no charge. For more information or directions, call Carma Lee Chandler at 365-6578. If unable to attend meetings on Monday nights, Bro. Mac Walls can counsel on Saturdays. Call 210-1204 to make an appointment.

Courthouse offices will be closed this week and weekend

Many of the offices in the Crittenden County Courthouse will be closed from noon Wednesday until Monday morning in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

The Crittenden Press office will be closed Thursday and Friday.

Two fewer die on Kentucky highways

Through Nov. 12, preliminary statistics indicate that 628 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2012. This is two fewer than reported for this time period in 2011. Of the 490 motor vehicle fatalities, 276 victims were not wearing seat belts. Of the 73 motorcycle fatalities, 38 were not wearing a helmet. Eleven of the 13 ATV fatalities were not wearing a helmet.

Forty-five pedestrians, one scooter/moped rider and six bicycle riders have been killed. A total of 114 fatalities have resulted from crashes involving the suspected use of alcohol.

Citizens can contribute to highway safety by reporting erratic drivers to the Kentucky State Police toll-free at 1-800-222-5555. Callers will remain anonymous and should give a description of the vehicle, location, direction of travel and license number if possible.

State beefs up patrols for commercial vehicle infractions this month

Kentucky State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division is conducting saturated patrols in high crash corridors throughout the area. This enforcement blitz is being conducted in an effort to decrease the number of traffic fatalities and collisions on Kentucky highways during the holiday season. These officers will be targeting any driving infractions occurring on roadways that have a history of high CMV collisions. More specifically, officers will be observing for hazardous traffic violations of CMV operators, as well as those of other drivers in vehicles operating in close proximity to these commercial vehicles. This concentrated effort will continue through Dec. 1.

County involved in incentive package

An article in last week's newspaper failed to mention that Crittenden County Fiscal Court and the Crittenden County Road Department played roles in helping develop a new access road for Invensys and for helping to secure an economic development incentive package for the company.

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Obituaries

Collins

Arville Ray Collins, 60, of Marion died Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2012 at St. Mary's Hospital in Evansville, Ind.

He was a coal miner and served in the United States Army.

Surviving are his wife, Nancy Collins of Marion; a son, Larry A. Collins of Marion; a daughter, Amy R. Collins of Marion; stepdaughter, Michel Vagts of Eddyville; two brothers, William Collins and Steve Collins, both of Marion; four grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; one step-great-grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Roy Arville and Louise Watson Collins.

Services were Saturday, Nov. 17 at Myers Funeral Home. Burial with military rites was at Repton Cemetery.

Phillips

Ruby Lee Phillips, 77, of Marion died Friday, Nov. 16, 2012 at her home. She was a member of Cave Springs General Baptist Church.

Surviving are her daughters, Evonne Abell, Debbie Roberts and Sharon Martin, all of Marion; grandchildren, Kristin Belt, Jared Roberts, Chad Roberts, Jordan Roberts and Heath Martin, all of Marion; great-grandchildren, Raylee Belt, Maeson and Logan Martin, Jacob Hunt, Zach Ray, Madison Hunt, Tate Roberts and Shelbi Belt, all of Marion.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Robert Phillips; a grandson, Shane Hunt; parents, Alick Levi and Hettie Flora Quertermous; four brothers; three sisters; three half-brothers; and a half-sister.

Services were Sunday at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was at Phillips Cemetery at Bakers Church.

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FOOD

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the church at 965-5232.

This is the fourth year the church has been involved with food distribution for Community Christmas.

"The scriptures tell us it's more blessed to give than to receive. We still are in a tough economic time. But I've found in my own life the Lord has a way of blessing by giving. I would encourage folks to do that," Jones said.

Food distribution for individuals that did not sign up for Community Christmas will be held at the PACS office on Dec. 14.

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Unite to Read program is Nov. 29 at high school

BY ANNA SCHNITTKER
CCHS STUDENT

The annual Unite to Read program will be held from 5-7 p.m., Nov. 29 at Crittenden County High School's library. There will be awards at the end of the night.

This free program began at Crittenden County High School in the fall of 2005 with a goal of promoting literacy and healthy living among kindergarten through fifth-grade elementary school age children.

Each year, a different book is featured with a new moral. This year's featured book is "Caps for Sale" by Esphyr Slobodkina.

This story is about a hat peddler who attempts to retrieve his stack of hats from a group of monkeys. High school clubs like FCCLA, FBLA, FFA, FEA and BETA, along with Crosswalk Learning Center and FRYSC, are teaming up to make this year's Unite to Read a big success.

Festivities will include a coloring contest, interactive educational computer games, monkey-theme crafts, healthy snacks, a book walk, a live skit about the book and a jungle-themed obstacle course.

The Crosswalk Learning Center, which is an after-school program at CCHS, is sponsoring the adult resource room during children's activities at Unite to Read. Parents will hear speakers from various community organizations including the adult education program. A representative from the Marion Ed-Tech Center will also be there. Parents will receive information on obtaining a GED, job training, employment skills and basic computer training.

The event will also feature guests from the health department, fire department and police department. They will be discussing child safety.

Although this is a free program, organizers would like anyone interested in attending to register by Tuesday, Nov. 27. You can register by calling Cheryl Burks, coordinator, at the Crosswalk Learning Center at 965-9833.

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Tea Room opens in Marion

STAFF REPORT

For an elegant dining experience visit the Tea Room in Marion. The Tea Room is located in the Marion Café's old City Drug store. According to Marion Café's Sandra Hawthorne, the Tea Room will be a reservations only establishment.

"We're going to use fancy dishes, linens, cloth napkins and service that's beyond service," Hawthorne said.

The Tea Room will seat about 40 people. Hawthorne said the setting will encourage a comfortable dining experience.

"It's not for a quick or hurried lunch. It's just to take your time, relax and be pampered," she said.

Menu items will include different types of tea, quiche, soups, finger sandwiches and petit fours. It will also feature creations from Ethel Tucker's cookbook "Tea Time of Life."

Hawthorne said the Tea Room will also display crystal, silver and dishes from the estate of Everett F. Wells, CEO of Ashland Oil. A descendant of the family is displaying the pieces and making them available for purchase. To place your reservation at the Tea Room call (270) 704-0290.

Sandra Hawthorne says the Tea Room in Marion will encourage an elegant, comfortable dining experience.

4-H members (front from left) are Maegan Potter and Mary Tinsley; (seated) Elizabeth Tosh, Dallas Haire; (back) Sarah Valle, Syl Hunt, Anna Bryant, teacher Ben Thompson, Mason Haire and Raj Patel.

Thompson presented with award

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Middle School teacher Ben Thompson was chosen by 4-H members and the 4-H Council to receive the Friend of 4-H award for his help to the Rocket 4-H club members and leaders with the Voices from the Past project. The award was presented by Rocket Club members at their meeting Nov. 15. After the business meeting at CCMS, members and leaders visited the Mantle Rock Native Education and Cultural Center where Stella Brown and Barbara Holmes presented an educational program on the Trail of Tears.

Public attends movie night at library

Marion residents Lois and Elizabeth Tosh attend a viewing of the movie Pocahontas at the Crittenden County Public Library on Nov. 15. The viewing was part of Third Thursday Theater, a free movie night for the whole family held on the third Thursday of the month. Library officials said due to the holiday season, Third Thursday Theater will not be scheduled in December.

Angel Trees located at Farmers Bank, Extension

STAFF REPORT

As the Christmas shopping season begins in earnest, officials ask individuals to help sponsor a child through Angel Trees. Angel Trees are located at the Farmers Bank and the Crittenden County Extension Office.

This year marks the 38th annual Community Christmas coordinated through The Crittenden County Inter-Agency Council. Their efforts and public support help provide gifts for children on Christmas morning.

Children from infants to 12 years old can be sponsored through Angel Trees. Identities of the children remain confidential. Organizers ask sponsors that an item of value not exceed $50 and not to spend over $100 per child. Those wishing to spend more than $100 are encouraged to sponsor more than one child.

Distribution date is scheduled for Dec. 14 at the Carson G. Davidson National Guard Armory on Rochester Street.

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Redpath Chautauqua brought excitement to Marion

The first Redpath Circuit Chautauqua came to Marion in June 1913, but their agreeing to come was only after a year of hard work and dedication on the part of Marion citizens.

Marion and Crittenden County had to prove they would sell enough tickets to have the renowned traveling circuit to come and stay for seven days and that their programs would be well attended.

The basic business arrangement for the Chautauqua involved the contract and a system of guarantors. Under this method a local Chautauqua committee signed a contract pledging its cooperation in the sale of tickets for the next summer's Chautauqua and also guaranteeing payment in the event of a deficit. Members of the committee were usually prominent businessmen and their wives in Marion and later the Woman's Club would be in charge of ticket sales.

The entertaining and educational programs were what the Chautauqua was all about. "Talent" included musicians, lectures, humorists, actors, interpretive readers, magicians and more. Some of the talent worked the year around as entertainers; lyceum in the winter and tent Chautauqua in the summer. For others, such as authors, teachers, clergymen and politicians, Chautauqua provided a little extra salary in the summer time.

Music was also a staple on the circuits. The band most identified with the Redpath Circuit was Bohumir Kryl's Bohemian Band. Kryl, a protege of John Philip Sousa, and his band were famous for their memorable version of the "Anvil Chorus." (Kryl and his band was one of the entertainments for the 1913 Marion Chautauqua.)

The Chautauqua was also thought to be an educational institution with ideals. To the supports of the Chautauqua it meant a chance for the community to gather for seven days to enjoy a course of lectures on a variety of subjects.

Audiences also saw classic plays and Broadway hits and heard a variety of music from Metropolitan Opera stars to glee clubs to bell ringers. Many saw their first movies in the circuit tents. The circuit Chautauqua experience was critical in stimulating thought and discussion on important political, social and cultural issues of the day. It is no wonder Marion and Crittenden County wanted this chance to have the Chautauqua come to Marion. Once these Circuit dates were established there was nothing during their heyday that evoked the excitement and promise of summer more than the coming of the big brown tent.

Marion continued for many years having the Chautauqua come to town. June of each year was the date for the big event. The old editions of The Crittenden Press tell of its coming and all the preparations that would be made. There is page after page of all the wonderful entertainment, lectures, music, magical acts and much more.

In June of 1926, Marion was once again getting ready for the Redpath Chautauqua to come to town. The Press tells that Charles B. Sullenger, a Marion man, was to be platform manager of Marion's annual seven day Redpath Chautauqua which opened Tuesday afternoon, June 19, 1926.

The selection of Mr. Sullenger was due to the fact he had been connected with the Redpath Chautauqua for several years and had always done a wonderful job of preparing the way for the event.

From The Crittenden Press:

A Redpath advance man, has been here since Monday getting everything in readiness for the opening. The big tent auditorium will arrive Sunday morning and as usual will be erected on the Chautauqua lot just west of the courthouse. Programs will start at 10 a.m., and 3 and 8 p.m., in the evenings.

The first meeting of the Junior town for the children will be held immediately following the first afternoon program and on each of the following days of the Chautauqua.

Never before in the history of Chautauqua has a more attractive program been offered. Artists, actors and speakers of the highest rank will be with us during the seven days of delightful education entertainment.

Such headline attractions as the famous Japanese prima donna, Tamaki Miura and her company; two noted metropolitan comedy successes, Applesauce and So This Is London; the Cathedral Choir; and headliner lecturer, Carveth Wells, the famous English explorer, represent only a few of the many featured attractions.

Of special interest to the boys and girls will be the series of delightful entertainments included on the program and given for their special benefit. Programs include an absorbing act of impersonations and puzzling ventriloquist feats and a magic program that will be both baffling and dazzling, accompanied by much lively music on the accordion.

This is the 13th year of the Chautauqua for the people of Marion and surrounding county and it has become an honored and appreciated institution here. When we cannot travel it brings to us men and women who are among the most gifted and cultured living people of today, people who have made a life study of the subjects and represent them to people with little or no time for study. In this day and age the thirst of the human heart for knowledge and pleasure we find everywhere and when both can be satisfied it should be an inspiration to the people.

Children had their own daytime special program called "junior Chautauqua." A junior girl of the group took charge of local children during the seven days that Chautauqua was in town. Each day she would tell them stories; organize games, parties, stunts, folk dances and finally she would organize and direct a pageant which was produced for admiring parents.

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Miss Helen Moore remembers as a child of about 10, going to these children programs. She looked forward to it each day, as they played games, listened to stories, and did other entertaining and educational things.

She remembers being in one of the pageants and that her part in the play was that of an orange. She didn't remember exactly what the story was about, but her colorful puffy costume, made out of orange crepe paper, has been a delightful memory she has kept all these years.

Miss Moore says the Chautauqua was an exciting and much looked forward to event for Marion. She remembers the big tent that was set up on what used to be known as the jockey lot, and now is the Rescue Squad parking lot on West Carlisle Street.

The tent was very large, and there was a smaller tent close by that was used as a nursery for small children when parents attended the day and night programs. Usually a local person would be available for this duty. So everyone got to enjoy the programs.

Once the regular routes or circuits were established there was nothing during their heyday that evoked the excitement and promise of summer more than the coming of the brown tent. Their arrival brought people together to improve their minds and renew their ties to one another. As one spectator concluded, our town was never the same after the Chautauqua started coming – it broadened our lives in so many ways.

The traveling Chautauqua started dying in the early 1930s, a victim to the Great Depression, movies with sound and radio networks.

Today a fading memory, the Chautauqua memories resides only with a few of our older generation who were fortunate enough to have attended one of the programs and sat under the canvas on folding chairs to be both entertained and instructed. Truly soon Chautauqua will be a forgotten passage of our history.

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Many more people will remember the days that Bisbee's Show and Comedians would come to Marion. Although different from the classical concerts and instructional lectures that the Chautauqua would feature, Bisbee's show was full of fun filled entertainment. In June of 1947, The Press front page notice told the community that the fun-loving people of Marion and Crittenden county were in for another three days of high-class, wholesome entertainment when Bisbee's Comedians opened in their big fire-proof theater. This made the 20th season that Bisbee's troupe of 25 top flight professionals visited Marion. J. C. Bisbee, manager, stated that his troupe had brand new comedies, stirring dramas, peppy vodvil acts, unicycle riders and jugglers, trick and musical novelties and Mahala, the Master magician, plus other exciting entertainers.

Pictured above is a busy scene at the Chautauqua tents as people got ready for an event. The smaller tent in the background would be for the children during the shows.

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COUNTRY DRIVE - 3 or 4 bdr brick home w/ family rm, utility rm, den, 1 car garage, fenced backyard and lots of shade trees. Priced for quick sale. $79,000.00. hd

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MYERS BED & BREAKFAST - 4 bdr, 3 bath, liv. rm, din rm, large kitchen, storage rm, basement & large back porch in the main house. Two 2 bdr apartments, storage rm and a lg porch with the cottage home. Beautiful hardwood floors & other woodwork in the main house. Some appliances & furniture stay. Only $165,000.00. jm

INCOME PROPERTY - 3 apt bldg. There are 3 1 bdr, 1 bath apt. 2 presently rented & owner living in the other storage rm & approx. 4 acres. Great investment. $59,500.00. dt

COUNTY LINE - Located on the Union/Crittenden line off Hwy. 60, 3 bdr, 2 bath double wide with a nice 24x24 garage. Nice quiet area. $42,000.00. bb

COUNTRY SETTING - Nice 2 or 3 bdr brick home w/ lots of kitchen cabinets. Utility rm has several cabinets. All appliances stay. Central heat & air, back deck, storage bld & carport. Also 1.38 +/- acres. Priced to sell. lm

EVERYTHING YOU COULD WANT - This home has 4 bdr, 2 full baths, full walkout basement, 2 ponds for swimming or fishing, a 12x16 storage bldg & 22x44 workshop; a beautiful kitchen w/ new cabinets, new roof and numerous updates. This property is one of a kind, absolutely beautiful. This could be your dream home. Wait there's more... all sitting on 10+/- acres. Reduced to $172,500.00. rm

GREAT HOME, GREAT LOCATION - 2 bdr, 1 1/2 baths, nice kitchen, dining rm, family rm. This home is move in ready & sits on a nice big lot w/storage bldg. $58,000.00 js

IF IN THE COUNTRY IS WHERE YOU WANT TO BE, THIS IS IT - Very nice 3-5 bdr on 5+/- acres, appliances stay. This home has 2 offices that could be used as bedrooms with an outside entrance. There are 2 full baths, beautiful shaded drive, nice size yard with no other houses in sight. Nice size pond fully stocked & a place to enjoy the wildlife or have a family picnic. smw

BEAUTIFUL VIEW - A must see that sits high in a wooded setting, 3 bdr, 2 full baths, lg dining rm & lg living rm. Lots of beautiful kitchen cabinets w/ all new appliances & also a lg screened in back porch & BBQ area. 2 car attached garage. $149,000.00 dc

SOLD

CHERRY STREET - Cute 3 bdr, 1 bath home, utility rm, storage bldg & double lot. Good starter home or investment property. $30,000.00 gt

GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD - This brick home has a lg living rm, dining rm, den w/ fireplace, lg utility rm, storage rm & full basement. Central heat & air, carport and large outbuildings. Great location on Sturgis Rd. PRICE REDUCED TO $114,000.00. ww

BEAUTIFUL LOCATION - Located on St. Rt. 506. Beautiful brick home w/ 2 full baths, custom made kitchen cabinets, utility rm, 2 car garage & central heat & air. Also a 30x80 bldg lw garages, storage room & 3 open bays & nice dog kennel. All on 8 +/- fenced acres. mr

SOLD

WALKER STREET - 3 bdr, 1 bath, nice size laundry rm, back deck, large yard. $42,000.00 **MAKE OFFER!** rd

POPLAR STREET - This home is located in town, walking distance to banks, court house & restaurants. 4 bdr 1 1/2 baths, laundry rm & paved drive. Lots of shade trees on this nice big lot. Home is move in ready. $59,000.00 sp

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MAIN STREET - 3 bdr, 2 bath w/nice big rooms, city water & sewer. This home is a piece of history, motivated seller. Make an offer. $81,000.00. dm

PERFECT LOCATION - 2 bdr, 1 bath, large kitchen w/ lots of cabinets, dining rm & laundry rm. Nice storage bldg, 2 car garage on 3/4 acres. $35,000.00. df

COUNTRY - Built in 1896, 2 or 3 bdr home w/ 1 1/2 baths, living rm, game rm, located on a hill w/ lots of trees. Nice horse or cattle barn, 2 storage bldgs all on 23 +/- acres. $85,000.00. ma

SOLD

PRICED TO SELL - 2 br, 1 bath, liv. rm, carport, nice storage bldg., central heat & air. $42,500.00. rd

LOTS & ACREAGE

IRMA WHITE ROAD - 69 +/- acres with a 12x16 hunting cabin. Excellent hunting or recreational farm. Won't last long. $90,000.00. hd

40 +/- ACRES - Great hunting full of deer & turkey, all wooded and located just outside the city limits on Hwy. 506. Small tracts are hard to find, so hurry before it's gone. $69,000.00. jr

24 ACRES - If you are looking for a nice quiet piece of land, this 24 acres has a lot to offer. perfect for hunting, camping or just a weekend getaway for the family. $38,400.00. cb

SP

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MISC

Murray Nassau girls bike - 6 kids bikes (Spiderman, Dr. Pepper, boys & girls Huffy - old Schwinn bike - Vita Master exercise bike - fishing poles - dishes - pictures - Frost Tearia punch bowl with 12 cups - folding table - milk can - cast iron pot - concrete planter - 8 ft. light fixture - copper tubing - wooden swing - Coleman cooler - propane heater on stand - canning jars - metal shelf - saw horses - elec. wire - fish net - doors - basketball goal stand - folding chairs - storm doors - push mower - cast iron skillet - lots of elec. supplies - several kinds of light fixtures - 2 metal security doors - ice cream freezer - lots of what nots - dolls - ball glove - furnace - wooden flooring - Nortika china - 2 motorcycle wind shields - large sewage snake - metal cabinet - 2 drawer file cabinet - golf clubs - 82 pc. Paltz Graff Bone China set - other misc.

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4-H club members receive award for participation

Submitted by Bonnie Baker

The 4-H members and leaders of Crittenden County truly live out the 4-H motto, "to make the best better."

Over the past year, 4-H leaders and volunteers have helped kids learn and accomplish more then ever, and 4-H members and leaders where recognized for their hard work Nov. 4 at the Crittenden County 4-H awards banquet.

Not only were members awarded for their accomplishments at the county, area and state levels but leaders and volunteers were also recognized for their work.

Members earned 4-H gift certificates valued up to $35 which can be used for any 4-H activity or event such as camp. There were also several special awards given.

Each year the 4-H council gives a Friend of 4-H award. This award goes to a person or group who has made a great contribution to the 4-H program and this year's award went to Crittenden County Middle School teacher Ben Thompson, whose technology skills and expertise helped the Rockets 4-H club. Thompson assisted them with preparing the documentary video program, "Voices of the Past."

Thompson's help was a valuable asset in making this project come together, according to 4-H Extension agent Bonnie Baker.

A new award was presented this year, which was the Community Award/Special Project Sponsor. This award was presented to Deer Creek Baptist Church. Deer Creek helped to coordinate a community-wide program that focused on recycling and water quality through a program called the Edge Shoe Drive.Church members collected shoes of all kinds that were either re-sold or recycled and the funds collected were used to provide clean drinking water in Third World Countries.

The Club of the Year award was given to the Rockets 4-H club. Pictured are (from left) Dallas Haire, Meagan Potter, Sylvana Hunt, Sarah Ford, Elizabeth Tosh, Sarah Valle, Donna Haire, Nate Haire, Larry Haire, Raj Patel, Mason Haire, Lois Ann Tosh.

This is not just a one-time project, as Crittenden County is still collecting shoes at the County Recycling Center located at the Crittenden County Road Garage.

If anyone has shoes available for donation, simply drop them off with the attendant at the building and they will put them in the bin inside. The small donation goes a long way in providing a better life for people in other parts of the world.

Other outstanding 4-H members were also recognized during the banquet. This year the outstanding junior girl was Mauri Collins.

Collins has been an active member of the country ham project for several years. She has participated in the county, area and state communications day, country ham project, county fair exhibits, state fair cloverville entries and several community pride projects including aluminum can drive and poinsettia sales.

Collins is the daughter of Stuart and Pam Collins.

This year's outstanding junior boy went to Pate Robinson, who has been an active member of the Livestock club. As a member of the club, Robinson has participated in the county goat show, fair exhibits, a fair youth sweepstakes winner, poultry show as well as community pride projects including aluminum can drive and poinsettia sales. He also participated in district and state goat shows and had entries at the state fair for goat show and cloverville. Robinson also served as president of the 4-H 4th grade school club in 2010-2011 school year. He is the son of Greg and Libbi Robinson.

This year's outstanding senior girl went to Emily Hendrix, a member of the Geology Rocks Club. She has been active in 4-H events such as communications day, county and state fairs, variety shows, gem and mineral show, 4-H activity leader, county and state bicycle rodeo, country ham project, sewing and state mannequin modeling. She has also helped in 4-H fundraisers such as aluminum can drive and poinsettia sales. She is the daughter of Ralph and Debbie Hendrix.

This year's outstanding senior boy was Mason Haire, a long-time member of the Rockets 4-H Club. He has been active in 4-H for five years and has participated in camp, county, area and state communications day, county, area and state variety show, 4-H summit and the capital experience program. He has served as club president and has represented Crittenden 4-H at the area teen council. He is the son of Daniel and Kathleen Haire.

This year's outstanding leader went to Roger Watson. Watson has worked with the 4-H Shooting Sports Club for three to four years.

Last year, he traveled to Jabez for coach certification and became a certified shotgun coach. He has been an amazing volunteer and coach, helping with not only the shotgun practices but the rifle and archery practices as well.

He is always ready to lend a hand in setting up the ranges, scoring targets, assisting 4-H members with hands-on training to help them become a more accurate shooter or to work with them on their shooting technique to enable them to have better control of their firearms and improve their shooting scores. Watson is also always ready to participate in fun activities of the club. Roger has also been a volunteer at area and state shooting sports events. He truly upholds the 4-H motto, "to make the best better."

This year 4-H changed the 4-H king and queen program to an outstanding club program to better recognize all members of the club chosen. Clubs earned points based on events a club member participated in at the area, county and state levels. This year's outstanding club, Rockets 4-H Club, has a total of 14 members.

They have attended various 4-H conferences and camps, exhibited items at the county and state fairs as well as presented speeches and demonstrations at county communications day. They have had members serve as 4-H teen counselor, participated in the county aluminum can drive and other county fundraisers, participated in the Christmas parade, submitted articles to the local newspaper and completed five community service projects.

To help raise money for all of these awards, the 4-H council raffled off a country ham basket that featured country ham cured by one of our 4-H country ham project participants. Tickets were sold at $1 each and $122 was raised. The winner of the basket was announced at the banquet and was awarded to Debra LaPlante.

For more information about the Crittenden County 4-H program, contact the Crittenden County Extension office at 965-5236.

News and notes on the people you know from Marion and surrounding communities

Community Spotlight

Hart named as a new associate at law firm

Brad Hart, a 2005 graduate of Crittenden County High School, has become a new associate at Bass, Berry and Sims, PLC in Nashville.

Hart

Immediately after graduating from high school, Hart attended the University of Kentucky in Lexington where he made the Dean's List fall of 2005 through fall of 2008, and was a Presidential scholarship recipient from fall 2005 to fall 2009.

Hart received the Gatton College Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award in 2009. Hart belonged to the Beta Gamma Sigma Business Honor Fraternity. During his time at UK, Hart was a two-year starter for the UK Wildcats football team, where he was a University of Kentucky Football Letter winner in 2007 and 2008, as well as being named the University of Kentucky Male Scholar Athlete of the Year in 2009.

Hart made the National Football Foundation and college hall of fame Hampshire Society in 2009, as well as the Frank G. Ham Society of Character in 2009. Hart was part of a feature in the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District team in fall 2008, while also being named to the Academic All-SEC for fall 2006, 2007 and 2008. He was also on the Athletic Director's Honor Roll with a 4.0 GPA for spring 2006, fall 2006, 2007 and 2008.

Hart was a FarmHouse Fraternity scholarship chair in spring 2007, as well as a Greek political action committee representative. He was a 7th Street Community Center volunteer in 2008, and a volunteer at Harrison Elementary in 2007. Hart was also a charter member and treasurer for the University of Kentucky Ducks Unlimited 2007-2008.

In May 2009, Hart graduated summa cum laude from UK with a bachelor of business administration in finance and a minor in political science.

Hart earned his law degree from the University of Kentucky College of Law in Lexington where he graduated May 2012, ranked eighth in his class of 148, with a GPA of 3.756.

During his time in law school, Hart was a Bert D. Combs scholar, Kentucky Law Journal staff member, received the CALI award of Excellence in securities regulation and bankruptcy, and was a member of the Student Government Association as a Supreme Court associate justice. Hart also received the Marshall Writing Club Best Appellant Brief award.

On Aug. 11, Hart married Elizabeth Benjamin in Louisville. The couple resides in Tennessee.

Ellis honored as employee of month

Marceia Ellis, a teacher at Crittenden County Elementary School, has been named employee of the month in the Crittenden County School District.

Ellis

Ellis is currently in her 27th year of teaching at CCES. She worked one year as a substitute before taking a full time teaching position. She taught a first/second grade split class at Tolu Elementary for 12 years and when Tolu closed, she moved to CCES where she has taught second grade, Title 1 Reading and kindergarten.

"My favorite part of my job is watching the excitement in children's eyes when they learn. When they realize that the words we have been working on at school are on signs, bulletin boards, on television and in their books at home. They get so excited," Ellis said. "They will come racing into class because they cannot wait to tell me what they have figured out. They realize that they are learning to read."

Ellis also loves the fact that students get excited because of the hands-on activities and real-life experiences in class that help to foster a love of learning and love for school. Ellis sees teaching as an awesome job but a huge responsibility. She has always taken very seriously the challenge of providing the best education she can to every child.

Three named CCMS students of the month

Three students at Crittenden County Middle School were selected as the November students of the month.

Rebekah Lowry, a sixth grader, was named student of the month due to her outlanding effort and enthusiasm she displays during school activities. According to one of her teachers, she is a great role model for her peers. Her hobbies include playing soccer and other outdoor activities.

Lowry

She is the daughter of Clifford Lowry.

Ricky Adkins was named seventh-grade student of the month. His teacher recommended him due to being a great role model for his peers and always being respectful and cooperative. His hobbies include reading, drawing and "helping little old ladies cross the street."

Adkins

He is the son of Kristen Adkins.

Emily Robertson was named eighth-grade student of the month. Robertson was selected due to her positive attitude when attending class. Her teacher said she is always prepared to be an active participant in lessons and activities and always goes the extra mile to do her best. Her hobbies include singing, playing soccer, hunting and fishing.

Robertson

She is the daughter of John and Jane Robertson.

Baker named 2012 Viewer's Choice Queen

Karlie Madison Baker was named the 2012 National Queen of the Commonwealth Viewer's Choice queen on Nov. 11 at the Bluegrass Entertainment and Exposition Center in Bardstown. More than 75 contestants participated in the pageant.

Baker

The 2012 Queen of the Commonwealth National Pageant was also a toy/book drive for local domestic violence shelters, as well as a supply drive for local humane societies. Each contestant was required to donate a minimum of 10 items to the two organizations during the pageant weekend.

The program is open to females of all ages and exists to give them a means to further their personal and professional goals while providing a forum in which they can express their talents, intelligence and opinions on culture, politics and the community. Contestants competed in formal wear, personal introduction in an outfit of choice and their choice of either interview, talent, casual wear or most photogenic.

Baker is the daughter of Justin and Dusty Baker of Marion.

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Jayden Liam Wilcox

Lillian Sue Wilcox would like to announce the birth of her brother, Jayden Liam Wilcox. They are the daughter and son of Keith and Suzette Wilcox of Salem. Jayden Liam was born September 25, 2012 at 2:45 p.m. at Western Baptist Hospital. He weighed 8lbs. 8oz. and was 18 1/2 in. long.

Maternal grandparents are Billy and Vonda Todd of Salem, KY. Maternal great-grandparents are the late William Harold "Preacher" and Mary Sue Harris of Salem, KY and the late Howard and Willie Todd of Nebo, KY.

Patenal grandparents are Neta Wilcox of Marion, KY and the late Frank Wilcox of Fredonia, KY. Paternal great-grandparents are the late Harley and Mima Jean Adams of Tolu, KY and the late Fredrick Milan and Lillian Wilcox of Princeton, KY.

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Honored for years of service

Sarah Ford was recently presented a plaque for her years of dedication and service to the Marion Main Street Board. Mayor Mickey Alexander presented her with the plaque.

Winners of a Thanksgiving coloring contest sponsored by WMJL and Food Giant are Hannah Mott, kindergarten; Kendra Williams, second grade; and Joey Myers, first grade. Each winner received a popcorn tin and a bag of M&Ms.

4-H Christmas poinsettias on sale now

There is a chill in the air and soon we will hear jingling bells and carols filling the air. What better way to show your love of the season than with a beautiful display of Christmas poinsettias!

4-H poinsettias are now on sale. All proceeds from our poinsettia sales help to support our 4-H program. These funds help support such local 4-H events as county communications day, camp and other local events. Without these funds we would not be able to provide all of our programs to kids that most deserve them.

We are once again offering both large and small plants in a variety of colors including a few new ones. We are also offering the winter rose poinsettias in red. The small plants are in a six-inch pot with four to seven blooms and the large plants are in an eight-inch pot with 10-12 blooms. The small plants are $10 and the large plants are $20. We can accommodate any size order.

You can order your plants from any 4-H member. Each member is also competing to be the top seller as is each club. The top selling individual will be receiving a 4-H gift certificate that they can use to go to any 4-H event or for a 4-H item. The top selling club will also receive money to help support their club.

We are taking orders through Monday. You will not need to pay for your plants until you pick them up. Plants will need to be picked up between 12-5 p.m., Dec. 5 at the Carsen G. Davidson National Guard Armory in Marion. Any plants that are not picked up at the armory will be available at the Extension Office Dec. 6 on a first come first serve basis.

If you would like to purchase a plant but are not able to locate a 4-H member, feel free to contact the Extension office. You can place an order over the phone or via email. For more information or to place an order please call 965-5236 or email bonnie.baker@uky.edu.

The Press CALENDAR

Thursday, Nov. 22

■ The Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center will be closed Thursday and Friday for Thanksgiving.

Monday, Nov. 26

■ Quilt Club will meet at 9:30 a.m., Monday at the Extension office. Program will be provided by Ginny Oldham on lap quilting. For more information call 965-5236.

Tuesday, Nov. 27

■ Family Math Night at Crittenden County Elementary School will be held from 5:45-7:30 p.m., Tuesday. All CCES parents and students are encouraged to attend.

■ Photography Club will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday at the Marion Ed-Tech Center. Program will be provided by Kim Vince on how to make photo books. Participants may attend a second session at 6 p.m., Nov. 29 and make their own photo book. Call 965-5236 to pre-register.

Upcoming

■ The annual Unite to Read program will be at Crittenden County High School Nov. 29 for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. Registration will be from 5-5:30 p.m., and the event will be 5:30-7 p.m. For more information, call 965-2243.

■ St. William Catholic Church will host a Christmas Craft Bazaar from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Dec. 1 in the parish hall.

■ West Kentucky Regional Blood Center will have a blood drive from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m., Dec. 3 at Crittenden Health Systems. The blood mobile will be located in the medical office building parking lot.

■ Santa's Workshop will be at CCES Dec. 3-5. Volunteers are needed. If you would like to participate, send a note to your child's teacher, letting them know you are available. Preview night will be from 3:30-6:30 p.m., Dec. 3.

■ The Ellis B. Ordway Post No. 111 Marion American Legion and Auxiliary will have their Christmas dinner at the Marion Café at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 6. The "Dutch treat" dinner will be ordered from the menu. Call 965-5977 no later than Dec. 1 for reservations.

Ongoing

■ Cash Express, located at 103 MorningSide Drive, is hosting its eighth annual coat and toy drive for Community Christmas. Toys, coats, shoes (washable) and non-perishable food items will be accepted. All donations need to be received by Dec. 15. For more information, call 965-9965.

■ The Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center hosts bingo at 10:30 a.m., every Friday.

■Correction

In the Halloween photo feature in the Nov. 8 issue of The Crittenden Press, Ethan Todd's parents were mistakenly listed as his grandparents. He is the son of Jessica Woodall and Scott Todd. The Press apologizes for the error.

Thank You

The family of Rev. David Winders would like to thank all of the friends, family, neighbors and area churches for their prayers, cards, hospital visits, nursing home visits, food, flowers, donations of Gideon Bibles, monetary donations in his memory to the West Kentucky Association Tabernacle and any other expression of sympathy during the time of his illness and passing. We would like to thank the staffs of Burkhart Rural Health Clinic, Crittenden Health Systems, Crittenden County Health and Rehabilitation Center for their care and concern. We would also like to thank Rev. Junior Austin, Rev. Nicky Winders and Rev. Barry Winders for their words of comfort at the funeral and Randy Belt, Jerry Bradshaw, Candy Patton and the ministers from the area churches for the special music. Thank you to the staff of Gilbert Funeral Home for their thoughtfulness and care shown to the family at this difficult time. Thank you to the Unity Church for hosting the bereavement dinner. May God bless each of you for whatever act of kindness that was offered.

The David Winders Family,
Dottie, Nicky, Barry, Candy and their families

The family of Crawford (Jack) Lanham would like to express our sincere thanks for all the many acts of kindness shown to him and his family during his illness and the loss of our loved one. The many prayers for the family, all the food, calls, visits and flowers were greatly appreciated. A special thanks to Dr. Gary James and all the staff at Crittenden Health Systems for being so good to him, and Lourdes Hospice for the love and compassion they gave to him and his family. Many thanks to the staff of Myers Funeral Home for the meal and compassion shown to the family. We appreciate each and everyone. Thanks goes out to Bro. Roger Steward for the comforting words spoken on behalf of his brother and friend. May God bless each and everyone is our prayer.

The family of Crawford (Jack) Lanham

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automotive

2004 Ford Eddie Bauer Expedition 4x4, V8 5.4L, loaded, 117,000 miles, white, DVD player, leather, tow pkg., good condition, new tires Nov. 2011. $10,000 obo. (859) 462-3602. (2t-21-p)

for rent

3 BR, 1 bath with full basement, newly remodeled near Marion in Mott City. Serious inquiries only. $500/mo., $500 deposit. 969-0035. (1t-21-p)

2 BR, 1 bath mobile home with stove and refrigerator. Deposit and references, $340/mo. 704-3234. (tfn)je

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16x80 trailer for sale on 3 1/2 acres, 3 BR, 2 baths, $25,000 at 349 Mill Rd. right off Hwy. 70 in Mexico. 965-508. (1t-21-p)

real estate

28.8 acres, portion with large timber, within 5 miles of Marion. Ideal for deer and turkey hunting. Road frontage on two sides. 965-4415. (3t-23-c)we

Large red metal building on 2 acres with city water and sewer available. Located on U.S. 60 West, just 1 mile from the city of Marion. 200 amp service, concrete floor with theater seats installed. Could be used as mini-storage or church. Owner will consider land contract. (386) 698-2515 or (386) 244-4179. (3t-23-p)

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yard sales

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legal

Notice is hereby given that on November 14, 2012 Margie Beth Hamilton and Michael Dale Hamilton of 3640 US 60 W., Marion, Ky. 42064 were appointed co-executors with will annexed of Kathleen Logan Reed, deceased, whose address was 452 Irma White Rd., Marion, Ky. 42064. Hon. Natalie White, P.O. Box 279, Eddyville, Ky. 42038, attorney. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the co-executors with will annexed on or before the 14th day of May, 2013 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred. All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please call and settle said debts immediately.

Crittenden District Court
Madeline Henderson, Clerk

I, Madeline Henderson, Clerk of Crittenden County District Court, Marion, Ky. do certify that the following has filed notice of Final Settlement: Frances Ann Rorer of 235 Old Piney Road, Marion, Ky. 42064 and Robert D. Rorer of 3107 U.S. S 641, Marion, Ky. 42064 Administrators of James T. Rorer, deceased. The foregoing settlement is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court on December 19, 2012. All persons having exceptions to said settlements are to file same at once.

Crittenden District Court
Madeline Henderson, Clerk

Legal Notice
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT
CIVIL ACTION NO. 11-CI-00111
DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE OF THE HOME EQUITY MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED TRUST SERIES INABS 2005-D, HOME EQUITY MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES INABS 2005-D
UNDER THE POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT DATED DEC 1, 2005
PLAINTIFF V.
TIMOTHY E. ARNETT, SR.; and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.; and ARROW FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC ASSIGNEE OF HSBC CARD SERVICES, INC.
DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered in the Crittenden Circuit Court on October 1, 2012 I will on Friday, December 7, 2012, beginning at the hour of 10:00 a.m., prevailing time, at the Courthouse door in the City of Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky, proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder, the real estate (hereinafter described and all the right, title, and interest of the parties hereto, to-wit:)

Property Address:

128State Route 70

Marion, KY 42064

Tax ID Number:061-00-00-048.00

Two certain lots on the northwest side of Highway Ky. #70 in Crittenden County, Kentucky numbered and bounded as follows:

Lot #3 in the John Holloman property plat which is of record in Deed Book 92, Page 39, and said Lot #3 fronts on Ky. Highway #70 for 100 feet and runs back with east line being 243 feet and west line being 205 feet, and the north end of lot being 103 feet.

Lot #5 in the John Holloman property plat which is of record in Deed Book 92, Page 39 and said Lot #5 fronts on Ky. Highway #70 for 100 feet and runs back with east line being 234 feet and west line being 277 feet and the north end of lot being 105 feet and 12 feet, and reference is made to the aforementioned John Holloman property plat for a more accurate description of Lot #3 and #5.

Also a certain lot or parcel of land, lying and being on the northwest side of Ky. Highway #70, a few hundred feet west of a point where Ky. Highway #70 intersects Ky. Highway #91, being Lot #4 in a plat known as the John Holloman property. For record of this plat, see Deed Book 92, Page 39, said lot is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a stake on the northwest side of Ky. Highway #70, corner to Lot #5; thence N 49 degrees 30 minutes E 100 feet to a stake, corner to Lot #3; thence with line of Lot #3 N 40 degrees 45 minutes W 205 feet to a stake, another corner to Lot #3 in J.E. Perry's line; thence S 18 degrees 15 minutes W 25 feet to a stake; thence S 71 degrees 15 minutes W 112 feet to a stake, corner to Lot #5; thence with Lot #5 S 47 degrees 30 minutes E 234 feet to the point of beginning.

LESS & EXCEPT that portion of the above described property conveyed to John R. Holloman and his wife, Mary A. Holloman, by George Hart, Jr., et ux by deed dated May 25, 1967 and recorded in Deed Book 104, at Page 377, Crittenden County Court Clerk's Office, and more particularly described as follows:

One certain lot on the northwest side of Ky. Highway #70 in Crittenden County, Kentucky, bounded and described as follows:

Lot #5 in the John Holloman property plat which is of record in Deed Book 92, Page 39 and said Lot #5 fronts on Ky. Highway #70 for 100 feet and runs back with east line being 234 feet and west line being 277 feet and the north end of lot being 105 feet and 12 feet, and reference is made to the aforementioned John Holloman property plat for a more accurate description of Lot #5.

One certain lot on the northwest side of Ky. Highway #70 in Crittenden County, Kentucky, bounded and described as follows:

Lot #2 in the John Holloman property plat which is of record in Deed Book 92, Page 39 and said Lot #2 fronts on Ky. Highway #70 for 100 feet and runs back with east line being 220 feet, and west line being 248 feet, and north end of lot being 68 feet and 38 feet, and reference is made to the aforementioned John Holloman property plat for more accurate description of Lot #2.

Subject to any and all easements, restrictions, conditions, and legal highways of record and/or in existence.

Being the same property conveyed from Patronella Clare Hart, a single person, to Timothy E. Arnett, Sr. (no marital status), by virtue of a deed dated 11/03/2005 and recorded 11/04/2005 at Deed Book 203, Page 412 of the Crittenden County, Kentucky real estate records.

The description provided herein was provided by the parties and is contained in the Judgment and Order of Sale.

1. The Master Commissioner will sell same at public auction to the highest and best bidder at the Courthouse door for cash or a deposit of 10% of the purchase price in cash with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days. The successful bidder shall be required to give a bond with good surety, who must be present at the time of the sale and execute the Sale Bond and Affidavit of Surety, for the unpaid purchase price with said bond bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of the sale. In the event Plaintiff is the successful purchaser, Plaintiff shall be entitled to a credit of its judgment against the purchase price and shall only be obliged to pay the Court costs, fees and costs of the Master Commissioner and any delinquent real estate taxes payable pursuant to the Order of Sale.

2. The Purchaser shall be required to assume and pay any ad valorem taxes and all taxes assessed against said property by any City, State, County or any school district which are due and payable at any time during the year 2012 or thereafter. Said sale shall be made subject to:

a. All current year ad valorem real estate taxes not yet due and payable and all taxes due thereafter;

b. Easements, restrictions and stipulations of record affecting the Real Property;

c. Any assessments for public improvements properly levied against the Real Property;

e. Any right of redemption which may be claimed by the United States arising under 28 U.S.C. Sec. 2410.

f. Any right of redemption that may exist in favor of the Defendant(s).

Said property shall be sold with the improvements thereon "as is" and cannot be divided.

Upon confirmation of the sale, and payment of the purchase price in full, the Master Commissioner is hereby ordered to issue a Deed conveying the interests of Plaintiff and all of the herein Defendat(s) Arrow Financial Services LLC Assignee of HSBC Card Services, Inc., Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Timothy E. Arnett, Sr., in the subject Real Property to the successful purchaser.

In the event that a representative of the Plaintiff is not present at the sale, this Master Commissioner has been directed to withdraw the property form sale and remind it from the sale docket.

Plaintiff may submit a written bid via facsimile to the office of this Master Commissioner at any time prior to the day of the sale.

Dated this the_____ day of November, 2012.

Brandi D. Rogers
MASTER COMMISSIONER,
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Public input sought for EQUIP ranking process

Meeting is Nov. 30 at Princeton center

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) administers the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), a federal program that provides technical and financial assistance to land users to address natural resource concerns.

NRCS is asking for local input for the fiscal year 2013 program.

For fiscal year 2013 EQIP will be administered in Kentucky using four ranking areas across the state. The ranking areas consist of multiple counties that have been determined to have similar farming operations and resource concerns. Applicants within each ranking area compete only with others in that ranking area.

NRCS has asked for local input from each of these areas.

A Local Working Group meeting consisting of Caldwell, Christian, Crittenden, Livingston, Lyon and Trigg counties is scheduled for 9 a.m., Nov. 30 at room 110 of the UK Research and Education Center in Princeton.

Recommendations from this group will be provided to NRCS to be used in developing the criteria used to award EQIP contracts during fiscal year 2013.

The Local Working Group was established by the 2002 Farm Bill as a group to provide recommendations to NRCS on local natural resource priorities and criteria for conservation activities and programs.

Originally, this group was limited to governmental representatives; however, the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008 (2008 Farm Bill) has now made Local Working Group meetings public meetings and all interested persons are invited to attend.

This provides an opportunity for everyone to have input regarding the ranking criteria for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program.

For additional information or if you have questions or require special accommodations, contact Josh Richardson, Lead District Conservationist, at 885-8688, ext. 3 or the Caldwell District at 365-5533.

Andy Hunt bagged this nice eight-point buck last weekend.

Nikki Conger bagged this nice nine-pointer on opening morning of rifle season.

Local pastor Chris McDonald took this eight-pointer last Thursday.

Ethan Stone, 11, bagged this seven-pointer Saturday afternoon.

Tucker Sharp harvested his first buck last weekend. The seven-pointer field dressed 160 pounds.

Rifle Deer season ends Sunday

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FSA News

We are anxiously waiting to see what the new Farm Bill will bring, but so far now word. Meantime we are trying to get records updated and as accurate as possible.

We are currently taking applications for the 2011 SURE disaster program, certifying fall seeded small grains such as wheat or rye as well as working through your maps to update them. If you need to address any of these items, please call our office at 988-2180 so

we can set up a time that is convenient for you, or as always we are happy to work with you via email. Email me at laura.kessler@ky.usda.gov.

Many producers elected to take advantage of the ECP program this summer for water development due to the drought. Those participants are reminded that their practices need to be completed by Dec. 24. As soon as you complete your practice, please provide bills to the office so that we can disburse funds as soon as possible.

I realize that it may sound repetitious from week to week but we would like to remind producers how important it is to keep our records as updated as possible. Please provide us with any changes to your operation, if you bought or sold ground, deeded ground to a trust, LLC or partnership, etc., or changed your bank account, address, phone number or e-mail. Basically any changes that occur, the sooner we are notified, the better customer service we can provide to you, our producers. We are happy to answer any questions you may have.

Here are some dates to remember: Our office will be closed today (Thursday). The last day to submit a county committee ballot is Dec. 3 and Dec. 15 is the last day to certify wheat, rye or any other fall seeded crops.

LIVESTOCK REPORT

LIVINGSTON COUNTY - Ledbetter
Friday, Nov 16, 2012.
Livingston County Livestock, Ledbetter, Ky.
Feeder Cattle Weighted Average Report for 11/16/2012
****Red Tag Special Sale****
Receipts: 960
Price comparison not applicable as this is a special sale. Nice offering of quality feeders for the sale offered in mostly average weigh-ups and met with good demand. Supply included 69 percent over 600 lbs; 36 percent heifers.
All cattle offerred must be a minimum of 45 days weaned; must have2 complete rounds of shots and wormed 14-60 days prior to sale.

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
2	377	377	183.00	183.00	
14	431-469	457	163.00-168.00	164.64	
72	522-582	558	150.00-160.00	155.16	
164	613-694	665	144.00-148.50	147.56	
3	640	640	120.00	120.00	Fleshy
86	710-786	750	134.00-143.50	139.87	
4	721	721	132.50	132.50	Full
65	834-855	837	134.00-137.50	136.30	

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
10	310-395	382	170.00-173.00	170.24
8	447-475	457	158.00-165.00	160.70
31	510-592	572	140.00-149.00	146.07
43	605-676	646	134.00-145.00	141.71
50	705-735	715	135.00-138.00	136.98
5	850-897	882	129.00-135.00	131.44

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price	
2	315-325	320	160.00-167.00	163.45	
8	405-455	434	130.00-154.00	141.86	
5	530-570	546	130.00-132.00	130.84	
4	556	556	145.00	145.00	Thin
4	670-672	671	131.00-137.00	134.00	
1	895	895	119.00	119.00	

Feeder Steers Large 1

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	605	605	120.00	120.00
1	905	905	126.00	126.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	385	385	148.00	148.00
21	408-445	427	151.00-155.00	153.46
62	501-590	557	142.00-151.00	143.71
54	612-690	637	134.00-142.00	137.04
88	700-767	751	124.00-136.00	128.88
3	880	880	110.00	110.00
3	900	900	105.00	105.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
14	446-480	466	144.00-148.00	146.24
20	518-590	569	135.00-145.00	140.93
35	601-682	626	127.00-138.00	134.43
11	754-795	776	124.00-130.00	126.65

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	310-330	320	150.00-154.00	152.06
5	430-497	461	124.00-137.00	131.84
5	550-575	560	130.00-134.00	130.82
2	765-780	772	120.00	120.00
1	965	965	96.00	96.00

Feeder Heifers Large 1

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	747-790	761	117.00-122.00	120.27

AREA DEER HARVEST

County	Male	Female	Total
Crittenden	**1,153**	**1,135**	**2,288**
Livingston	**636**	**581**	**1,217**
Lyon	**299**	**234**	**533**
Caldwell	**608**	**520**	**1,128**
Union	**405**	**299**	**704**
Webster	**834**	**683**	**1,517**

(KDFWR - Through mid-day Tuesday)

Duck season just needs water

BY LEE MCCLELLAN
KENTUCKY AFIELD

The table is set for a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner. The dressing awaits, the cook just put a spoon into the green bean and sweet potato casseroles, the gravy steams and pumpkin pies cool on racks. All that is needed is the turkey.

Waterfowl seasons opens today, Thanksgiving Day, and the season is similar to this dinner. The conditions are in place for a productive waterfowl season – all that is needed is water.

"We are still hurting for water across the state," said Rocky Pritchert, migratory bird program coordinator for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "The Ohio River is low, reservoirs are low, farm ponds are low. Conditions are pretty even throughout Kentucky."

The drought that gripped a large chunk of Kentucky caused these low water conditions, but also provided a potential feast for waterfowl if rains fall.

"Areas that are normally moist have grown up in abundant natural vegetation from the drought," Pritchert explained. "If we get water, we will hold birds for a long time because there is lots of food out there for them to eat. We should have a good opener for waterfowl season."

Recent fronts pushed ducks from the north into the traditional waterfowl areas in the Purchase Region and along the Ohio River.

"Good numbers of ducks are showing up at Ballard Wildlife Management Area (WMA) in western Kentucky," Pritchert said. "The resident Canada goose population had a good reproductive year. We may see more geese to the south this year because of the lack of food from the drought in the northern tier states. Those states were more impacted by the drought, so we may see more goose migration from the north this season. We hope to get a better push than the last two years."

Mike Morton, area manager for Sloughs WMA in Henderson and Union counties, said the area holds several thousand white-fronted geese, snow geese and Canada geese along with 3,000 or so ducks.

"It is fairly average for this time of year," he explained. "We have a few more snow geese than we usually do. White-fronted geese have made up the majority of goose numbers on the area in winter for the last four years. If we can get snow cover up north, it will really roll the geese out to us."

Waterfowl hunters need to remember that both duck and goose seasons open statewide on the same day, Nov. 22 this year, except in the Northeastern Goose Zone where Canada goose season opens Jan. 1. Some wildlife management areas may have different opening dates.

Hunters may take only one brant this year as part of their five goose daily bag limit. Brant are rare in Kentucky. However, hunters may take up to four scaup as part of the six duck daily bag limit, an increase of two scaup from last year.

"Scaup numbers have recovered to the point to allow for additional harvest," Pritchert explained. "Scaup are usually associated with larger bodies like Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley."

To get their duck limits, hunters may want to target farm ponds. Many ponds remain low from the drought, but rainfall will create an ideal hunting situation.

"The exposed banks of those farm ponds are now grown up with a variety of emergent vegetation such as barnyard and panic grass and smart weed," Pritchert said. "If we get water on those plants, there is a potential to hold a lot of ducks."

Duck, coot and merganser season closes Nov. 24, but opens again Dec. 5 before closing on Jan. 27, 2013. Statewide goose seasons close Jan. 31.

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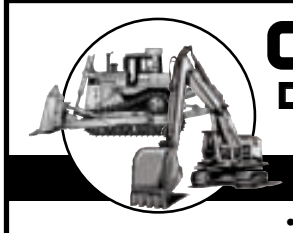
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RUNNING

Bryant runs for kids

Marion's Neal Bryant competed in his first marathon in Indianapolis Oct. 20. Bryant's official time was 4:35.

Bryant said the conditions were cool with temperatures around 40 degrees and windy. He said the last three miles of the coarse were literally uphill.

Bryant's motivation for running the marathon was to help support the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. All donations received from supporters will go directly to the hospital. Bryant raised $4,280 from residents and businesses in Marion and Crittenden County.

"The people of Marion were so wonderful. So many people gave and it makes me appreciate this small town and the caring people in it," Bryant said.

Bryant said his training has shifted now to speed work in preparation for a 5K series that starts next year. He also plans to run at least one half-marathon in the spring and possibly another marathon next fall.

FOOTBALL

Caldwell goes to semis

Caldwell County's football team beat Murray 10-7 in Friday's First Region championship to advance to this week's Class 2A state semifinal round of the playoffs. The Tigers will play Louisville De-Sales, which upset Glasgow last week 10-2. The other state semifinal is Newport Central Catholic vs. Somerset.

BASKETBALL

CCMS game results

7th Girls - Crittenden 22, Caldwell 11
Madison Champion 7, Mauri Collins 6, Madison O'Dell 2, Kenlee Perryman 5, Shelby Summers 2.

8th Girls - Crittenden 18, Caldwell 13
Francesca Pierce 6, Cassidy Moss 10, Amanda Lynch 2.

8th Boys - Union Co. 46, Crittenden 22
Maeson Myers 12, Justin Morris 4, Jared Lundy 3, Bobby Glen Stephens 3.

8th Girls - Crittenden 27, Union Co. 19
Pierce 2, Meredith Evans 1, Kiana Nesbitt 8, Courtney Beverly 1, Moss 10, Lynch 4, Madison Champion 1.

OUTDOORS

Hunting seasons

Groundhog	Year Round
Coyote	Year Round
Squirrel	Aug. 18 - Nov. 9
Crow	Sept. 1 - Nov. 7
Raccoon Hunting	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28
Dove	Nov. 22 - Nov. 30
Dove	Dec. 29 - Jan. 4
American Woodcock	Nov. 1 - Dec. 15
Sandhill Crane	Dec. 15 - Jan. 13
Archery Deer	Sept. 1 - Jan. 21
Archery Turkey	Sept. 1 - Jan. 21
Crossbow Deer	Oct. 1-21
Crossbow Turkey	Oct. 1-21
Rifle Deer	Nov. 10-25
Raccoon Trapping	Nov. 12 - Feb. 28
Quail and Rabbit	Nov. 12 - Feb. 10
Crossbow Deer	Nov. 10 - Dec. 31
Crossbow Turkey	Nov. 10 - Dec. 31
Squirrel	Nov. 12 - Feb. 28
Duck	Nov. 22 - Nov. 26
Canada Goose	Nov. 22 - Jan. 31
Pennyrile Goose	Nov. 22 - Jan. 31
White-fronted Goose	Nov. 22 - Jan. 31
Snow Goose	Nov. 22 - Jan. 31
Bobcat	Nov. 24 - Feb. 28
Shotgun Turkey	Dec. 1-7
Duck	Dec. 3 - Jan. 27
Muzzleloader	Dec. 8-16
Free Youth Deer	Dec. 29-30
Crow	Jan. 4 - Feb. 28
Snow Goose	Feb. 1 - March 31
Youth Waterfowl	Feb. 2-3

LBL deer, small game

Small game hunting seasons open Dec. 1 at Land Between the Lakes and LBL is also opening some "No Hunting" areas to archery deer hunters that same day. All hunters age 16 and older must have an LBL Hunter Use Permit, an appropriate state license and observe LBL rules and applicable state laws regarding hunting zones and safety precautions. LBL encourages hunters to harvest antlerless deer in these normal "No Hunting" areas to reduce deer populations. Areas are open through Jan. 21. They are Hillman Ferry and Energy Lake campgrounds.

Middle School LADY ROCKETS

Members of the Crittenden County Middle School girls' basketball teams are (front from left) eighth graders Amanda Lynch, Regan Frazer, Kiana Nesbitt, Francesca Pierce, Meredith Evans, Cassidy Moss, Courtney Beverly, (standing) eighth grade coach Heather Boone, seventh grade team members Brandy Book, Emmalea Barnes, Shelby Summers, Madison Champion, Meighan Koon, Madison O'Dell, Kenlee Perryman, Mauri Collins, Chaylee Wolf and seventh grade coach Rashelle Perryman.

Eighth-Grade ROCKETS

Eighth grade Rockets (seated from left) are Ben Brown, Bobby Glen Stephens, Will Tolley, Nick Rodgers, Paxton Riley; (standing) Jason Bomia, Jared Lundy, Maeson Myers, Shelby Robinson, Dakota Koerner and Justin Morris.

Seventh-Grade ROCKETS

Seventh grade Rockets are (from left) Wade Gilbert, Logan Belt, Cody Belt, Sawyer Towery, Trent Champion and Clay Croft.

Rocket Football Annual Awards

Crittenden County High School held its annual football awards banquet Sunday. Among those honored were (front from left) Dustin Roberts, 110 Percent Award and senior awards; Clint Asbridge, Hit Man Award and senior awards; Grant Gardner, Most Valuable Offensive Player and senior awards; Bobby Knox, Ironman Champion Award, Most Valuable Player, Greg "Dozer" Belt Memorial Award, Crittenden Press Leadership Award, Most Valuable Defensive Player Award, RBI Award, Tackling Award, Captain's Award and senior awards; Maggie Harrison, Manager's Award; (back) Stephon Cozart, Marion Feed Mill Grit Iron Award and senior awards; Zach Knight, Most Improved Special Teams Player Award and senior awards; Gus Heidrich, senior awards; Noah Dickerson, Most Improved Defensive Player Award; Devin Clark, Captain's Award, Crittenden Press Leadership Award and senior awards; Austin Dunkerson, Solid Rocket Award and senior awards; Eli Bebout, Most Valuable Lineman Award and senior awards; Dugan Overfield, Coaches' Award for Commitment and senior awards; Dylan Hollis, JV Captain's Award; Travis Fitzgerald, 4.0 Academic Award; Micah Hollamon, Most Valuable Special Teams Players; and Nick Castiller, 4.0 Academic Award.

Rockets 1-2 at Kentucky Cup

Crittenden County's 9-under Rocket football team competed in the Kentucky Cup State Championships last weekend at Owensboro.

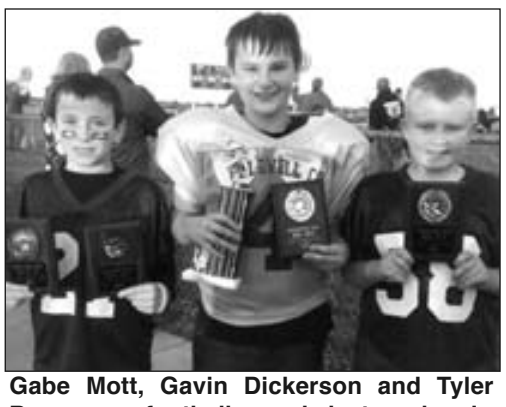
The young Rockets finished two days of play with a 1-2 record. Crittenden lost both its games during Saturday's pool play, getting shutout by Bullitt County and Owensboro in consecutive games. On Sunday, however, Crittenden got its offense going and beat Muhlenberg County 34-0.

Gabe Mott was named MVP of Sunday's consolation game. Mott also earned a Big Hitter Award in the first game and teammate Tyler Boone won a Big Hitter Award against Owensboro.

Crittenden County's Gavin Dickerson also played in the football tournament. He played as a lineman for Caldwell County, earning four Big Hitter Awards and an MVP Award in the semifinal game. Dickerson's team won the 11-under division after going six games without allowing a single point.

Following are statistics from Rocket games:

Bullitt County 30, Crittenden County 0
Rushing: Gabe Mott 18-22, Caden McCalister 5-5, Xander Tabor 5-5. Tackles: Mott 9, Ian Ellington 1, McCalister 3, Ben Dobyns 2, Tabor 3 (interception), Tyler Boone 3, Lathan Easley 2. Passing 0-1-1



Gabe Mott, Gavin Dickerson and Tyler Boone won football awards last weekend.

Owensboro 34, Crittenden County 0
Rushing: Mott 17-98, Tabor 3-(-1), McCalister 7-17. Passing: Braxton Winders 1-1-0, 0 yds. Receiving: Mott 1-0. Tackles: Mott 1, Tabor 4, McCalister 1, Boone 1, Ben Evans 2, Brian Nelson 1, Ellington 1, Easley 1, Dobyns 1, Brandon Hunt 1, Winders 1.

Crittenden County 34, Muhlenberg County 0
Rushing: Mott 11-182, McCalister 9-73, Tabor 3-10. Passing: Winders 1-1-0, 55 yds. Receiving: Mott 1-55.

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Kaitlin Binkley
Senior - Guard

Davana Head
Senior - Forward

Maggie Collins
Junior - Forward

Ruth Gobin
Junior - Forward

Taylor Johnson
Sophomore - Forward

Mallory McDowell
Sophomore - Guard

Khyla Moss
Sophomore - Forward

Chelsea Oliver
Sophomore - Guard

Marie Riley
Sophomore - Forward

Kasey Herrin
Freshman -Guard

Bailey Howard
Freshman - Center

Kristen Perryman
Freshman - Center

Courtney Beverly
8th Grade - Forward

Meredith Evans
8th Grade - Forward

Amanda Lynch
8th Grade - Guard

Cassidy Moss
8th Grade - Guard

Kiana Nesbitt
8th Grade - Forward

Francesca Pierce
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Devin Clark
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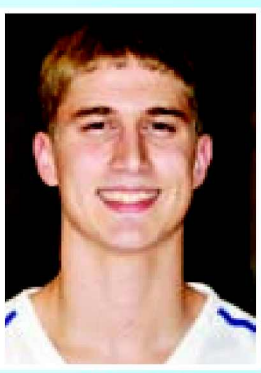
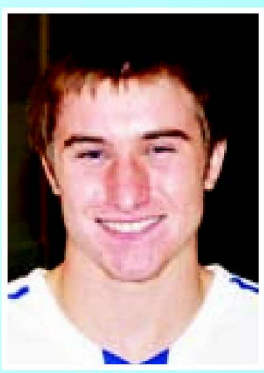


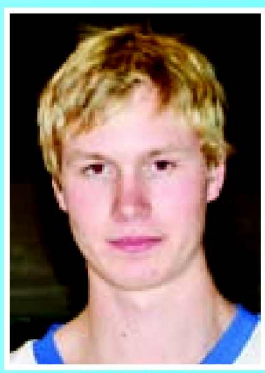
Ethan Hill
Senior - Guard



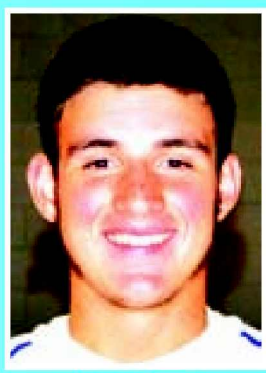
Bobby Knox
Senior - Forward

Taylor Champion
Junior - Guard

Travis Gilbert
Junior - Guard



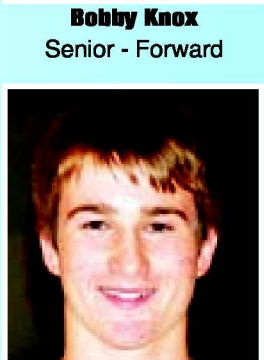
Sakari Kallpio
Junior - Forward



Aaron Owen
Junior - Guard

Zach Tinsley
Junior - Forward

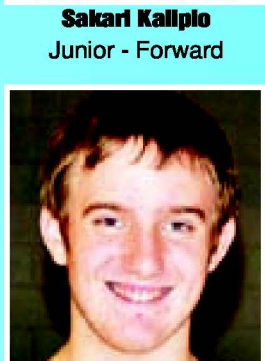
Daniel Wagoner
Junior - Forward



Noah Dickerson
Sophomore - Forward

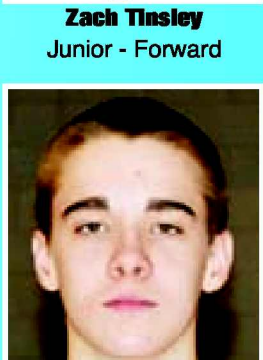
Adam Driver
Sophomore - Center

Trevor Faith
Sophomore - Guard

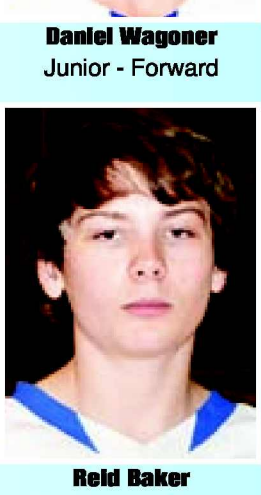


Noah Hadfield
Sophomore - Guard

Colby Watson
Sophomore - Forward



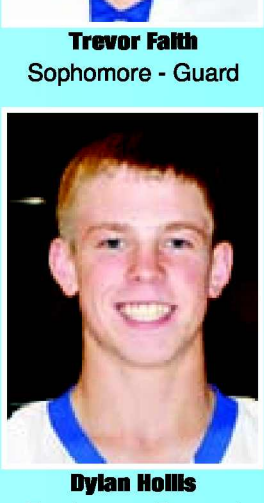
Landon Young
Sophomore - Guard



Reid Baker
Freshman - Guard

Nick Castiller
Freshman - Forward

Jacob Greenwell
Freshman - Guard



Dylan Hollis
Freshman - Forward

Dillan Hicks
Freshman - Forward

Ryan James
Freshman - Forward

Austin McKinney
Freshman - Center

Rockets and Lady Rockets open their seasons Monday night at home against Community Christian.

Andrew Rodgers
Freshman - Forward

Dakota Watson
Freshman - Center

The 2012-13 Rockets are (front from left) Noah Hadfield, Aaron Owen, Tucker Frazer, Devin Clark, Bobby Knox, Ethan Hill, Stephon Cozart, Taylor Champion, Travis Gilbert, Trevor Faith (back), coach David Perryman, coach Theodore Nichols, Dillan Hicks, Daniel Wagoner, Dakota Watson, Colby Watson, Adam Driver, Noah Dickerson, Zach Tinsley, Logan Young, coach Matt McMain and head coach Denis Hodge.

Hodge expects strong showing from Rockets

STAFF REPORT

Denis Hodge is smiling.

He thinks his Rocket basketball team has a chance to contend for a Fifth District championship, something Crittenden County has had its fingers around only a handful of times in history. The last was in 1998.

With four starters returning and remarkable depth, the Rockets' second-year skipper thinks his boys are poised for a breakout season despite not winning a single league game last year.

Sound crazy?

Not really, says Hodge, when you closely examine the facts.

Crittenden lost just one member from a team that won 11 games last season. That player, Thomas Scott, transfered to Lyon County, but replacing him hasn't been too difficult.

Seniors Devin Clark and Bobby Knox – 6-foot-3 and 6-2, respectively – are even bigger in life than on paper. Between them, the Rockets put more than 415 pounds in the paint. The more physical a game becomes, they better they get, says the coach.

"Devin Clark inside is our biggest weapon," Hodge says matter-of-factly.

Last year, Clark reached 10 rebounds a game, making him one of the top 15 in the state.

"His presence at the post and rebounding ability gives us something to be excited about," Hodge said.

As for Knox, he's just as strong down low. The senior can play with his back to the basket or step out and make a 15-foot jumper.

"He has no problem being physical," the coach says. Bobby plays defense extremely well."

Hodge
Second-year head coach

On the perimeter, three returning guards give the Rockets plenty of pushing power. Senior Ethan Hill is the fastest player on the team and has improved his ball-handling and shooting.

Junior Aaron Owen was the mover and shaker last year at the point, but will defer the one spot to Hill and slip over to shooting guard.

"He's a streak shooter," Hodge said. "When he's hot, he's hot."

As for Hill, the coach says he's never seen a player increase his skill set so drastically so late in his high school career.

"Ethan is far above where he was last year," Hodge said. "He's extended his shooting range and has made tremendous improvement."

Junior Travis Gilbert will play the No. 3 position. He's a spot-on shooter and has a knack for being open.

"Travis is always in the right place," Hodge said. "And he's shooting it very well right now."

Down the bench, Crittenden doesn't lose much talent-wise. That makes practices more challenging and keeps players vying for starting positions.

"When we go first team against second team five-on-five, there isn't much difference," Hodge said.

Senior Stephon Cozart, who's been a career football player, is back on the hardwood for his senior season after laying off a while. He's physically equipped to handle anything inside.

Dakota Watson, a 6-2 freshman, is getting stronger and will figure into the mix on the block. Sophomore Noah Dickerson can play all five positions, but is best at forward. He will be among the first off the bench to play a variety of roles. Freshman Dillan Hicks can play guard and sophomore Landon Young is another utility player on the perimeter.

"We are just a lot deeper this year," Hodge said.

After those first 10, there's another handful of players clawing for playing time, such as Taylor Champion and Tucker Frazer.

"I feel really good going into this season," Hodge said. "The big question mark for our team is how well we score. I think we can rebound and play defense well enough to compete with anyone on our schedule.

"What it's going to come down to is can we knock down some shots and score?"

The district is wide open after Livingston Central lost the heart of its 2011-12 championship club. Lyon County could be considered the early favorite, and Trigg has plenty of speed and athletic ability to create problems for any team in the league.

Rocket Basketball Schedule

Nov. 26	COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN	G/B
Nov. 29	DAWSON SPRINGS	JV/V
Nov. 30	at Trigg County *	G/B
Dec. 4	at Caldwell County	G/B
Dec. 7	LYON COUNTY *	G/B
Dec. 8	vs. Webster County at Madisonville	V
Dec. 14	at Livingston Central *	G/B
Dec. 18	WEBSTER COUNTY	G/B
Dec. 20	at Fort Campbell	G/B
Dec. 21-22	at Paducah Tilghman Christmas Tourn.	V
Dec. 27-29	at LaRue County Christmas Tournament	V
Jan. 4	LIVINGSTON CENTRAL *	G/B
Jan. 8	TRIGG COUNTY *	G/B
Jan. 11	at Lyon County *	G/B
Jan. 12	MADISONVILLE	JV/V
Jan. 15	All A Classic at Marion vs. Livingston	V
Jan. 18-19	All A Classic at Marion	V
Jan. 25	at Hopkinsville	JV/V
Jan. 26	CALDWELL COUNTY	G/B
Jan. 29	at Hopkins Central	JV/V
Feb. 2	REIDLAND	G/B
Feb. 5	UNION COUNTY	JV/V
Feb. 7	at Dawson Springs	JV/V
Feb. 8	ST. MARY	G/B
Feb. 14	UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS	JV/V
Feb. 15	FORT CAMPBELL	JV/V

*All caps denotes home games / * Denotes District Game*

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The 2012-2013 Lady Rockets are pictured (front from left) Chelsea Oliver, Maggie Collins, Mallory McDowell, Kaitlin Binkley, Davana Head, Khyla Moss, Taylor Johnson, Kasey Herrin, (back) head coach Shannon Hodge, Francesca Pierce, Cassidy Moss, Meredith Evans, Ruth Gobin, Kristen Perryman, Bailey Howard, Kiana Nesbitt, Courtney Beverly, Marie Riley and coach Heather Boone.

Rocket girls face challenges with 4 starters back

STAFF REPORT

Shannon Hodge is in her 20th season coaching the Lady Rockets and her platinum anniversary may present the toughest challenge to date.

After finishing 4-24 a year ago, the Lady Rockets lost their best player – Baily Brown, who transfered to Calloway County. Now, with only a dozen high schoolers on the roster, the Lady Rocket mentor is working her system from top to bottom, learning to survive on what's available.

"The numbers are disappointing, but I think several teams in the area are experiencing lower numbers," said Hodge, who has brought up a half dozen eighth graders to help fill the void.

Those young players will earn their stripes on the junior varsity team, but Hodge also says they'll compete for prime time.

"As far as I'm concerned when those middle school girls are here, they're high school players and competing for playing time," the coach explained.

While the roster has never been so lean in the last 20 years, Hodge remains optimistic that the weapons at her disposal are sufficient to challenge for a Fifth District title. Last year, Livingston won 25 games, including all of its league contests en route to a division championship. Although the Lady Cardinals have a strong returning corps – including some stellar frontliners – they are unproven without Aneta Sloma, the high-scoring guard that made them go last season. She graduated and took with her a 20-points-per-game average.

Lyon has a good crew returning and Trigg is always athletic, but Crittenden may wiggle into the mix before the dust settles in March, the Lady Rocket coach said.

"I definitely expect more out of this group than we've gotten before. These girls have potential and they will need to push themselves to another level. They all have more in them than they've given in the past and a lot of that is due to a lack of confidence," Hodge said.

Last year, the club looked mostly to Brown for offense. Now that she's gone, Hodge is looking for a team effort.

Four starters return. They are seniors Kaitlin Binkley and Davana Head. Joining the foursome are juniors Maggie Collins and sophomore Chelsea Oliver.

Sophomore Mallory McDowell will step into the remaining starting spot at point guard. She's quick and learning the position on the fly after not playing much last year.

Binkley will play the two guard. She has a nice shot and plays good defense. She can also switch to the point guard when necessary.

Head, whose mother Serita (Belt) Head was a fine inside player for the Lady Rockets a generation ago, has loads of potential. At foward, Head has an inside-outside game with clear scoring capacity. She will have to provide points and rebounds for the Lady Rockets to be successful.

Collins provides a big physical presence at the basket. She has gained confidence in her shot out to 15 feet. Coach Hodge says Collins can have a major impact by playing big inside.

Oliver, just a sophomore, is the team's go-to girl. She has a skill set far beyond most 10th graders. She's often the most athletic player on the floor and Hodge says Oliver is starting to understand what type of force she can become.

First off the bench will be Khyla Moss and Ruth Gobin around the basket and on the perimeter it will be Taylor Johnson and Marie Riley. A host of other young players could earn their stripes this year, too.

Shannon Hodge
20th Season
Overall record 212-285

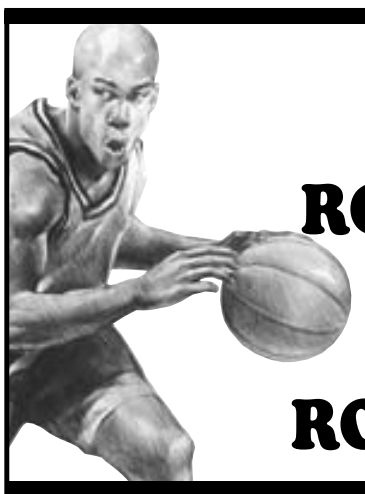
Lady Rockets
Under Coach Hodge

1993-94	6-19
1994-95	15-13
1995-96	11-14
1996-97	17-9
1997-98	12-14
1998-99	14-13
1999-00	11-15
2000-01	11-16
2001-02	5-20
2002-03	6-18
2003-04	12-13
2004-05	11-16
2005-06	12-15
2006-07	6-20
2007-08	13-12
2008-09	11-9
2009-10	13-14
2010-11	21-9
2011-12	4-24
Total	212-285

Lady Rockets Roster

Player	Number	Grade	Height	Position
KAITLIN BINKLEY	4	SR	5-3	GUARD
DAVANA HEAD	5	SR	5-7	FORWARD
MAGGIE COLLINS	10	JR	5-9	FORWARD
RUTH GOBIN	23	JR	5-6	FORWARD
TAYLOR JOHNSON	20	SO	5-4	FORWARD
MALLORY MCDOWELL	3	SO	5-3	GUARD
KHYLA MOSS	44	SO	5-5	FORWARD
CHELSEA OLIVER	21	SO	5-7	GUARD
MARIE RILEY	14	SO	5-5	FORWARD
KASEY HERRIN	22	FR	5-4	GUARD
BAILEY HOWARD	12	FR	5-9	CENTER
KRISTEN PERRYMAN	1	FR	5-9	CENTER
COURTNEY BEVERLY	35	8TH	5-5	FORWARD
MEREDITH EVANS	24	8TH	5-8	FORWARD
AMANDA LYNCH	41	8TH	5-7	GUARD
CASSIDY MOSS	43	8TH	5-6	GUARD
KIANA NESBITT	32	8TH	5-8	FORWARD
FRANCESCA PIERCE	13	8TH	5-5	GUARD

Head Coach: Shannon Hodge
Assistant Coaches: Heather Boone, Ali Shewcraft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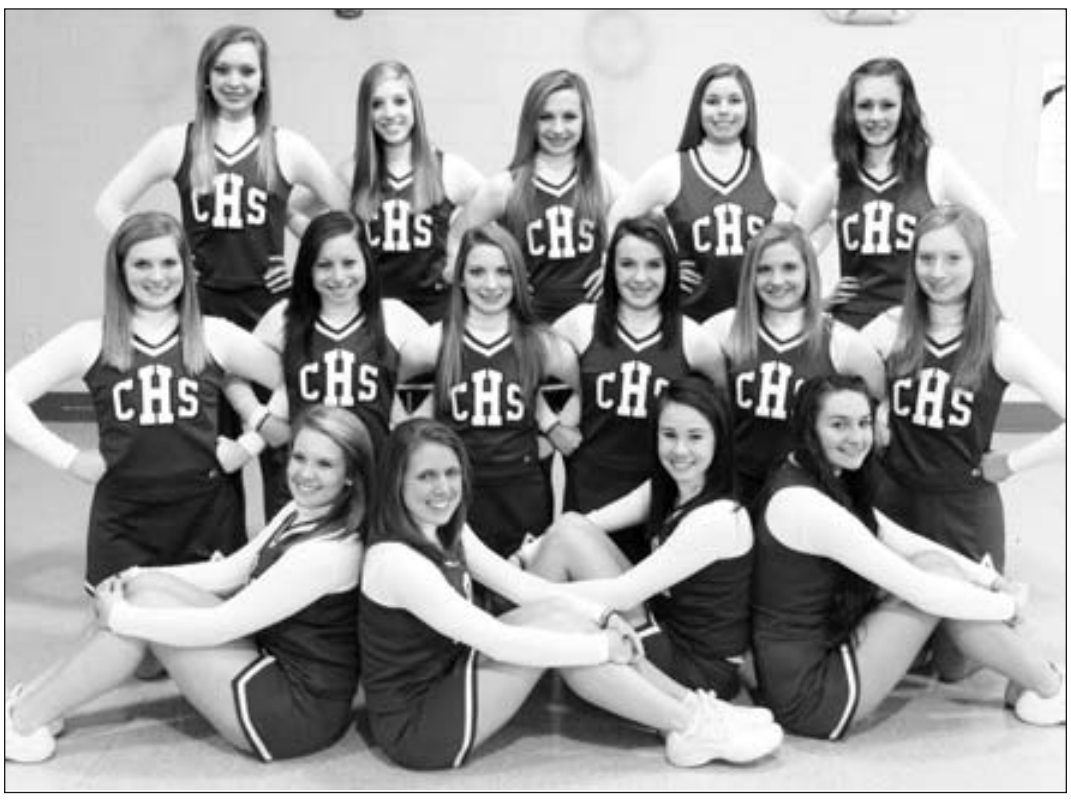

Crittenden County High School cheerleaders are (front from left) Ella LaPlante, Elizabeth Brown, Lauren Beavers, Brittney Buell; (second row) Madisyn Jones, Katie Travis, Aeriel Wright, Sadie Easley, Bristen Holeman, Taylor Belt; (third row) Caelyn Clark, Lauren McKinney, Kali Travis, Sydney Hunt and Madison Lynch.

Crittenden County Middle School cheerleaders are (front from left) Hannah Cooksey, McKenzie Gilland, Kaitlyn Young, MaKenzie Simpkins, (second row) Kendra Franklin, Daelynn Hardin, Megan Tabor, Jaylie Stone, Bailey Barnes, (back) Nadia Hutchings, Tania Thompson, Sydney Leibenguth, Bristen Holeman and Shea Martin.

ROCKETS Basketball Roster

Devin Clark	Sr	6-3	220	30
Stephon Cozart	Sr	6-0	217	34
Tucker Frazer	Sr	6-2	155	22
Ethan Hill	Sr	6-1	161	10
Bobby Knox	Sr	6-2	195	21
Taylor Champion	Jr	5-10	162	15
Travis Gilbert	Jr	5-8	160	14
Sakari Kalipio	Jr	6-2	170	-
Aaron Owen	Jr	5-11	175	2
Zach Tinsley	Jr	5-11	192	20
Daniel Wagoner	Jr	5-11	171	25
Noah Dickerson	So	6-1	162	4
Adam Driver	So	6-1	204	31
Trevor Faith	So	5-9	128	31
Noah Hadfield	So	5-8	168	32
Colby Watson	So	6-4	160	23
Landon Young	So	5-10	140	3
Reed Baker	Fr	5-4	122	-
Nick Castiller	Fr	5-8	159	-
Jacob Greenwell	Fr	5-9	114	-
Dillan Hicks	Fr	5-8	130	11
Dylan Hollis	Fr	5-10	150	-
Ryan James	Fr	5-7	171	-
Austin McKinney	Fr	6-1	212	-
Andrew Rodgers	Fr	5-4	143	-
Dakota Watson	Fr	6-2	171	-

Head Coach: Denis Hodge
Assistant Coaches: Matt McMain, Ken Geary, David Perryman

LADY ROCKETS Basketball Schedule

Nov. 26	COMM. CHRISTIAN	G/B
Nov. 27	at Union County	JV/V
Nov. 30	at Trigg County	G/B
Dec. 4	at Caldwell County	G/B
Dec. 7	LYON COUNTY	G/B
Dec. 11	HOPKINSVILLE	JV/V
Dec. 14	at Livingston Central	G/B
Dec. 15	UNIV. HEIGHTS	JV/V
Dec. 18	WEBSTER COUNTY	G/B
Dec. 21-22	at Lady Storm UMW Inv.	
Dec. 28	at St. Mary	JV/V
Jan. 4	LIVINGSTON CENT.	G/B
Jan. 7	DAWSON SPRINGS	JV/V
Jan. 8	TRIGG COUNTY	G/B
Jan. 11	at Lyon County	G/B
Jan. 14	All A Classic vs. Caldwell	
Jan. 17-19	All A Classic at Marion	
Jan. 22	UNION COUNTY	JV/V
Jan. 25	FT. CAMPBELL	JV/V
Jan. 26	CALDWELL CO.	G/B
Jan. 29	HEATH	JV/V
Feb. 1	at Dawson Springs	JV/V
Feb. 2	REIDLAND	G/B
Feb. 8	ST. MARY	B/G
Feb. 12	HOPKINS CENTRAL	JV/V
Feb. 15	at Webster County	JV/V

RocketRecords

Season	Record
1980-1981	9-17
1981-1982	10-14
1982-1983	4-23 **
1983-1984	5-18
1984-1985	9-12 **
1985-1986	11-15
1986-1987	11-16
1987-1988	11-17
1988-1989	8-16 **
1989-1990	7-16
1990-1991	0-24
1991-1992	6-19
1992-1993	3-22
1993-1994	4-21
1994-1995	11-15
1995-1996	6-16
1996-1997	10-11
1997-1998	19-8 *
1998-1999	9-14
1999-2000	20-10 **
2000-2001	13-14
2001-2002	14-14 **
2002-2003	17-10 **
2003-2004	16-9
2004-2005	14-11
2005-2006	2-15
2006-2007	10-15
2007-2008	3-19
2008-2009	9-12
2009-2010	11-15
2010-2011	6-18
2011-2012	11-20

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Adoption process shared by local family

November brings attention to National Adoption Awareness

The Goddard family includes sisters Shaye and McKenna and parents Michael and Shannon. November is National Adoption Awareness Month.

BY JASON TRAVIS
PRESS REPORTER

Shannon Goddard of Fredonia is one of many parents who want to bring awareness to the importance of adoption.

November is National Adoption Awareness Month when activities and celebrations are launched to help build adoption awareness across the country. Individuals share positive adoption stories, challenge myths and provide information on the adoption process.

Goddard wants to eliminate negative stigmas that are associated when a birth mother makes the choice of placing her child with adoptive parents. Goddard believes language on adoption must be positive.

"You're not giving your child up. You're going to choose a different plan. You're going to make a plan for adoption," Goddard said.

Goddard and her husband Michael adopted transracially. Their daughter was born in 2004.

"We knew from the very beginning that we were going to adopt at least one child whether or not we had biological children," Goddard said.

Two years after adopting their daughter, Goddard gave birth to a biological daughter.

The mother of two healthy daughters says couples who consider adopting a child should first evaluate their own relationship.

"You have to know is it [the relationship] strong enough. Even the waiting period was not easy. I was very emotional. My husband was very supportive. It was hard not to lose faith sometimes when we were waiting," Goddard said. "Support is the number one thing. Have a good support group."

She said the application process with an adoption agency took about four months to complete.

"You fill out things about your background--how you were raised, how you plan to parent a child, why you feel like adoption is the right option for you," she said. "There were five letters of reference we had to get to support our decision. We also had to go through a home study. They came in to talk to us face-to-face about what we experienced as a child."

The couple was placed on a waiting list in 2003. In January 2004 they were chosen as adoptive parents based on an adoptive family profile. Similar to a scrapbook, the adoption agency gave the birth mother background information on the couple, their home and activities they enjoyed.

Goddard wants her daughter to know the consideration that was given in regard to her adoption.

"I always want her to understand that her birth mother did not give her up. She chose for us to raise her and be her parents. I've always wanted to put it in a very positive light for her because it is," she said.

Goddard hopes more women with unplanned pregnancies will consider placing their child with adoptive parents.

"I'm a labor and delivery nurse by trade. Women's health is very core to my beliefs. I'm not in that fight. I feel like it's a woman's right to choose. But at the same time I wish more women would choose adoption," she said. "There are so many families out there who are going through infertility or maybe they've had one child and can't have any more for whatever reason. They want to grow their family. It's a really good option for unplanned pregnancies."

Key to holiday meals is portion moderation

BY JASON TRAVIS
PRESS REPORTER

Between an increase in dinner engagements and baking at home, many individuals worry about weight gain during the holiday season. But many nutritionists suggest it's what you eat when it isn't Thanksgiving or Christmas that may play a bigger role in managing your weight.

"I think around the holidays it can be one of the times of year when people actually eat the healthiest because we're used to a convenience type of lifestyle. So people go for fast food or choose quick, easy to cook food that can be high in sodium, fat and calories," said Registered Dietician Tracye Newcom of Crittenden Health Systems.

Newcom

Newcom said most holiday meals are well balanced with protein, vegetables and fruits.

If you are counting calories, she suggests avoiding creamy soups, creamy appetizers and dips. As with most things, moderation is the key when sitting down to the Thanksgiving feast and Christmas dinner.

"Of course the desserts are always something you don't want to over-indulge in but you want to enjoy having them because it is a treat. Food can unite families. It's a social function as well as nourishing so you want to enjoy food. But just have smaller portions," she said.

To help offset some of the extra calories, she said to continue with your exercise regimen throughout the holidays.

She also suggests that families create a Thanksgiving tradition by engaging in an activity.

"It can be getting outside and throwing the football or taking a walk. Do something that involves moving rather than sitting," she said. "Try to do something active like walking, stretching or yoga. Even competitive sports can be good."

While many count calories from the dinner, they often overlook the beverage they choose with the meal. Newcom suggests water or unsweetened teas are always good options.

Alcoholic beverages can quickly increase your calorie intake. So too can eggnog, which is high in fat content.

"I think the biggest thing is to be a little flexible because it is the holiday season. We're going to have a lot more social time with family and friends. And that's not something in our society we probably celebrate as much as people once used to. Be flexible in your approach but still try to think about balancing your plate with fruit and vegetables that are going to help offset too many calories," she said.

Newcom said it's also important to avoid carrying bad eating habits into the New Year.

"Usually between Thanksgiving and New Year's people don't gain as much weight during as they do the rest of the year. So enjoy, but don't set yourself up for a negative pattern of eating that is hard to change once the New Year comes," she said.